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GENEVA ENDS.

No Agreement at Naval Conference.

AMERICA AND CRUISERS.

British Demands For Light Craft Not Opposed.

U.S.A. SETS OUT CASE FOR HEAVY VESSELS WITH BIG GUNS.

The Geneva Conference on Naval Armament Limitation concluded its sittings yesterday. No agreement was reached between the respective Powers—Great Britain, Japan and the United States.

At the final session the chief delegates of all three outlined their country's proposals. From these it is seen that the stumbling block has been Britain's refusal to agree with America's demands for a large number of heavy cruisers with eight-inch guns.

The conference ended on a friendly note, and efforts are to be made to stage another before the date fixed by the Washington Treaty, which is in 1931.

MR. BRIDGEMAN'S OFFER.

Geneva, yesterday.

The conference on the Limitation of Naval Armaments has adjourned sine die.

Japanese Proposal Rejected.
The Japanese proposal was finally rejected when the naval experts pointed out it was impossible to accept a limitation conference a proposal mentioning neither the tonnage nor calibre of guns.

Hope Abandoned.
All hope of agreement has been abandoned. The principal delegates have now assembled to draw up a joint statement which will be read after the plenary session.

The Joint Statement.
The joint statement mentions all the points on which agreement has been reached and where there has been failure. It shows that the three Powers have agreed to adjourn the present conference until an "opportune time" to resume work. In the meantime they will continue the study which was opened at Geneva. The statement concludes with a common declaration of friendship and mutual understanding among the three Powers. At the opening of the conference Mr. Gibson (America) declared that agreement could not be reached.

Earlier Than 1931.
The declaration adds that the delegates have agreed to recommend to their respective Governments that the conference provided by the Washington Treaty should be held earlier than August, 1931, in order that the decisions reached might be enforced before the capital ship construction programme commenced in November, 1931.

Cruiser Problem.
The statement says that the difficulties experienced in dealing with the cruiser class prove a problem such as to render an adjournment desirable until the Governments have had an opportunity of further considering the question and the various methods suggested for its solution. The conference closed in the most friendly atmosphere after a few complimentary words by Mr. Bridgeman and Admiral Saito in favour of Mr. Gibson, who returned thanks.

Britain's Statement.
Mr. Bridgeman, at the opening of the plenary conference emphasized that, speaking on behalf of the Governments of Britain, India and Dominions, he was glad the conference was able to agree as regards the question of guns borne on destroyers and submarines; but, regarding tonnage, said the size agreed to "in each case exceeded the British figures."

Referring to the cruiser problem, he said that although the British explained why they wanted a number of small cruisers they failed to understand the reasons for the American delegation demanding so many large cruisers, or so many eight-inch armed ships.

No Antagonism.
He pointed out that Britain had not complained of American superiority in destroyers and submarines. The British proposals entailed far greater savings than the others and he understood they were in the main not opposed by the Japanese. He added he was unable to agree with the American claim for eight-inch guns on second-class cruisers, as he believed it would result in

a considerable increase in the offensive strength of the world's fleets. Mr. Bridgeman concluded by emphasizing that if no common formula was acceptable to all parties, there was no spirit of antagonism. The three Powers had indicated still less that competition in new construction was intended.

America's View.
Mr. Hugh Gibson, in a statement on behalf of the American delegation, said he was greatly impressed by Sir Austen Chamberlain's recent declaration that an Anglo-American war was already outlawed in the hearts of both nations. "We give our thorough endorsement to this," he added, "but we find it difficult to reconcile the British conviction that war is outlawed with their unwillingness to recognise our right to build a limited number of the type of ship we desire because they fear the problematical possession by us during the life of this treaty of a small number of eight-inch cruisers, despite the fact that such apprehensions are amply covered by the proposed political clause releasing the signatories from the obligations of the Treaty."

Large Ships Wanted.
Mr. Gibson continued: "We are unable to understand why in a time of profound peace Britain deems a considerable programme of naval expansion absolutely vital. We indicated our willingness to make the most substantial modifications respecting cruisers in order to meet the British claims regarding the number of vessels. Any further concession would have involved complete surrender of the right to build ships responsive to our needs. We never contested that the requirements of Britain could best be met by numbers of vessels, but America's geographical position and lack of bases require the larger type of cruiser with a longer cruising radius."

The Political Clause.
Mr. Gibson concluded by recalling the proposed political clause and said: "We are so confident that nothing in the American policy could give ground for concern that we felt no hesitation in suggesting the clause." He suggested that the subject should be dealt with on higher and broader grounds.

Japanese Statement.
Admiral Saito explained that the Japanese agreed to the British figures for 10,000 ton cruisers and also to the British plan for submarine limitation. He declared there still remained apparently insoluble Anglo-American differences, mainly as regards cruisers and especially regarding gun calibre thereon. Japanese views were not entirely in accord with the British, therefore the Japanese had made a compromise plan which was rejected.

Admiral Saito concluded by regretting the absence of a definite agreement, but declined to view the outcome of their efforts as a failure or a breakdown for he was convinced that attempts to limit extravagance and competition by formal agreement as are limited in practice by commonsense, should continue and would eventually succeed. —Reuter.

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COASTAL STRIKE.

Report of Agreement In Shanghai.

CONCILIATION BOARD.

Officers And Engineers To Be Re-Engaged.

It is understood that a cable has been received from Shanghai in which it is stated that a proposal has found favour for instituting a conciliation board on which the China Navigation Co. officers and the Agents will be equally represented, the officers in the meantime being received back into the Company's employ on new agreements.

Local officials of both Gullids and Company remain uncommunicative as to the negotiations proceeding in Shanghai relative to the strike.

Early Settlement?
Striking members of the C. N. Company, seen this afternoon, were optimistic regarding the outcome of the negotiations in Shanghai. An early settlement is expected.

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Individual Statements.

Rugby, yesterday.
The Naval Limitation Conference at Geneva came to an end this afternoon, having failed to reach an agreement. At the plenary sitting the chief British, American and Japanese delegates each made a statement of its case, after which an agreed joint declaration was read and adopted.

This joint declaration stated that, on many important questions provisional agreements had been made. These points of agreement related particularly to the limitation of destroyers and submarines and it was not until the conference took up the question of limitation of cruiser class that difficulties were encountered.

The declaration sets forth the divergent views on this question. It states that various methods had been considered of reconciling them, but while material progress had been made and points of divergence reduced, no mutually acceptable plan had been found to reconcile British and American claims.

The delegates had therefore deemed it wise to adjourn the conference with this frank statement of respective views and to submit the problem for further consideration of their governments in the hope that consultations between them might lead to an early solution. Further the delegates agreed to recommend to their respective governments the desirability of arranging between signatories to the Washington Treaty that a conference should be called pursuant to paragraph two of Article 21 of that Treaty and that it should be called earlier than August 1931 contemplated under the terms of that instrument in order that any decision reached by such a conference might come into force before the capital ship construction programme commenced, namely in November of that year.

The declaration concluded "The delegates trust the measure of agreement reached as well as the work which has been done in classifying their respective positions will make it possible, after consultation between the governments, to find a basis for reconciling divergent views and lead to early conclusions of agreement for the delimitation of auxiliary naval vessels which will promote substantial economy and which whilst safeguarding national security, will promote a feeling of mutual confidence and good understanding."

In stating the British case Mr. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, recalled how the British delegation found themselves in marked disagreement with the American delegation on the subject of cruisers. He said: "We have been told our respective navies should be maintained at the lowest level compatible with national security, and we proceeded to explain quite plainly what was our problem in this respect. We said it was numbers we required and if a limit could be put upon the number of

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A DIAMOND RING.

Hawker Who Tried To Payn It.

NO CRIMINAL ACT.

Larceny Charge Against Man And Wife Fails.

The case was concluded before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning, in which a licensed Hawker of Kowloon City was charged with larceny worth \$200, the property of a Chinese merchant recently returned from Panama and his wife with attempting to pawn the ring at the San Yun pawnshop in Graham Street, Hong Kong.

Sergt. Fitches found the woman in the pawnshop on the morning of July 31, and as she was unable to give a satisfactory explanation as to how she came into possession of the ring, she was arrested. At three o'clock the same day her husband was arrested in Kowloon City and brought to the Central Station. He then claimed to have found the ring. At 10 p.m. that same night the owner of the ring went to Central Station and identified the ring as his property.

When the hearing resumed this morning, Mr. W. B. Hind, for the defence, submitted that the woman had no case to answer as she had acted under the coercion of her husband.

Mr. Lindell said that he thought coercion ceased as soon as she left the house and was no longer in her husband's presence. There was nothing to compel her to take the ring across harbour and attempt to dispose of it.

Son Approached.
Mr. Hind argued that coercion would resume when she returned home.

The point was left over until the main issue had been considered.

The complainant's son said they lived in Kowloon City. On July 30 while he was flying a kite, the male accused came to him and asked him to get his father's receipt for the purchase of a diamond ring, which he refused to do. He knew that his father had lost a diamond ring, so he communicated the conversation to his father when he returned home. The father then went and made a report at the Kowloon City Police Station.

The complainant said that he lost the ring on July 23. He did not inform the police, but had made extensive enquiries among the people in the vicinity, and had visited all the pawnshops in Kowloon City. He did not report to the police until July 30 when he received information from his son. Then he was referred to the Central Station, where he recovered his ring.

Accused's Story.
First accused said he found the ring on July 23 on the path leading up to the Hau Wong Temple. He wore it on his finger until July 31, and did not make any attempt to conceal the fact from his friends that he had picked it up. When up to July 31 the ring was not claimed, he decided to pawn it as he was hard up. He gave it to his wife to pawn, and as she was coming to Hong Kong to collect pig wash, she took it to a pawnshop across the harbour and was arrested.

Mr. Lindell found that the prosecution did not prove that at the time of finding the ring the male accused knew the owner of the ring, or had any reason to think that the owner might be found. Therefore he could not convict him of larceny by finding. In discharging both accused, Mr. Lindell said that while the man was not held criminally responsible, still, he had done wrong in that he did not take the ring at once to the police.

The ring was ordered to be returned to the complainant.

FINE WEATHER.

South or variable winds, light, and the official weather forecast until noon tomorrow.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day, 1/1 9/16.

PASSPORTS FOR CHINA

Withheld By the Indian Government.

HONG KONG AFFECTED.

Representations By Local Merchants.

According to a message from Calcutta the Government of India has replied to the letter of Mr. T. C. Goswami on the question of the proposed medical mission to China stating that the request involves considerations which are not confined to India. Steps have been taken to ascertain the practical bearings of the situation in China on this proposal. As soon as the information has been received the Government of India will be in a position to answer his letter.

Questioned this morning regarding the medical mission referred to in the foregoing paragraph Mr. G. P. Daswami, manager of the Pioneer Silk Store (and late Editor of the "Swatantra," Hyderabad-Sind), stated to a "China Mail" representative that 300 applications had been made for passports on behalf of that mission, including a number of women. As a consequence, said Mr. Daswami, the Government of India had stopped the issue of all passports for China and Hong Kong.

"What about other members of the Indian community in no way connected with the proposed medical mission who desire to come to Hong Kong or China?"

"Unfortunately the Government of India is making no distinction, merely intimating that no further passports can be issued for China until further notice."

"Why do you use the term 'unfortunate'?"

"For this reason, as I am interfering with the legitimate business of the Indian merchants in Hong Kong and China."

"In what way?"

"Well, as you know, we are dependent on Indians to implement our staffs, all the Indian shops and firms having practically only Indian assistants. In a large number of cases—here as well as in China—the agreements of these assistants have expired (or will soon expire), and naturally other Indians must be expected to take their places."

"But surely the Indian Government would grant passports in such cases?"

"No—that is our trouble. We cannot keep assistants, whose terms are up, here indefinitely; and still we are precluded from bringing up fresh men by the decision of the Indian Government to withhold all passports for China."

"Roughly, how many men are affected here?"

"There may be between twenty or thirty, but of course vacancies are always occurring from causes other than that of the expiration of contracts. These vacancies must always be filled immediately—usually by a cable sent to our head offices or agents in India."

"The position, then, I take it, is that the Indian merchants are faced with the alternative prospect of having over forty assistants kept here against their will or forty vacancies which you are powerless to fill?"

"That is exactly the position."

"Why cannot you allow these assistants to go back to their country and fill their places temporarily by men of other races?"

"That would be most detrimental to the special business in which we are engaged and also be contrary to the custom of Indian merchants who naturally desire to engage assistants from their own country. Men of other races could not possibly learn our business in a short time, and too much valuable time would be wasted in training them. In any case, the fusion of other races with Indians in what is purely an Indian store could not make for concord and discipline in business."

"Have you or the Indian merchants taken up this matter with the Indian Government?"

"The Hindu Merchants' Association are submitting their case to the Government of Hong Kong as the natural channel through which to make representations to the Government of India. The local Government is naturally solicitous for the welfare of local traders and shops are confident that its representations will impress the Government of India with the seriousness of the disabilities under which we are suffering and so lead to a cancellation of the order relating to passports so far as that concerns the bona fide employees of Indian firms or the wives and families of Indian residents already here."

"Reverting to the matter of the proposed medical mission from India to China, Mr. Daswami, what is your opinion of it?"

"This is a very difficult question you have put to me. But, from what I learn from the Indian papers, this mission wants to come to China to carry on work akin to that of the Red Cross Society. Personally, I think that in theory it is not a bad idea, not only in regard to China but in regard to other countries where there may be war or anything of the nature of a national calamity. I cannot understand, however, why they should desire to come to China seeing that the war is a civil one and that no call has been made for medical missions or Red Cross Societies from countries outside China to lend their aid."

ARMISTICE ENDED.

Premier Pan-Fu's Abortive Trip To Tsinan.

ADVANCE ON PUKOW.

Shantung Troops Take Pengpu & Move Southward.

YEN HSI-SHAN'S ATTITUDE HOLDING UP MUKDEN OFFENSIVE.

The armistice negotiations between the Mukden and Nanking delegates have broken down, Chang Tsung-chang refusing to join the parties.

Shantung forces are on the move southwards, and are reported to have captured Pengpu. It is likely that Pukow will be re-attacked.

The Tientsin-Pukow railway line is likely to be the main war theatre for some while as it is doubtful if Chang Tso-lin will make a move from his northern retreats for a couple of months.

TROOPS SPLIT AT NANCHANG.

Shanghai, to-day.

A Peking message states that Premier Pan Fu's recent mission to Tsinanfu to secure General Chang Tsung-chang's adherence to the tentative agreement reached between the Nanking and Mukden delegates was clearly abortive and the armistice negotiations are generally regarded as an end.

The Ankuochun leaders feel that Nanking is faced with disintegration.

It is officially stated that Shantung troops have occupied Pengpu and are advancing further southward. It is thought possible they may shortly try to recapture Pukow.

Chang Held Up.
It is not expected that the Mukden forces will take the offensive on the Peking-Hankow line during the next couple of months owing partly to the still doubtful attitude of Yen Hsi-shan and partly to the unanimous request of the populace of South Chihli and Honan to be left alone during the harvest. The Tientsin-Pukow line is therefore likely to remain the main theatre of operations. —Reuter.

Troop Movements.
Hankow, yesterday.
There have been considerable troop movements down-river from Hankow within the last two days. —British Naval Wireless.

Split in Forces.
Kiukiang, yesterday.
Generals Chow Peo-teh and Wang Ching-wei have left for Hankow.

[General Chow Peo-teh was recently reported to have effected a reconciliation with Chiang Kai-shek.]

It is reported that the troops at Nanchang (below Kiukiang, to the south of Poyang lake) have split into Communists and anti-Communists. —British Naval Wireless.

Trouble at Lungwha.
Shanghai, yesterday.
The "North China Daily News" reports that either on Monday or Tuesday night a party of armed men, believed to be ex-troops of Sun Chuan-fang, endeavoured to take advantage of the fact that the troops at Lungwha had been

seriousness of the disabilities under which we are suffering and so lead to a cancellation of the order relating to passports so far as that concerns the bona fide employees of Indian firms or the wives and families of Indian residents already here."

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A Chinese supervisor employed by the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company has reported to the police that some time between 4 p.m. on July 24 and 1 p.m. on the 25th two boxes containing woolen and cotton cloth worth \$1,000 were stolen while being transported by junk to the Company's godown in West Point from the s.s. "Oosterkerk."

reduced to 300, to cause a disturbance but were driven off.

Two of the defenders were killed and six of the attackers wounded.

Chao Hsin Chu.
Nanking, yesterday.
Chao Hsin-chu, ex-Minister at Rome, has been appointed Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs at Nanking. —Reuter.

GOODS AEROPLANE.

AMERICA TO HAVANA SERVICE.

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MINE DISASTER IN AMERICA.

Henderson (Kentucky), yesterday.

Two hundred miners have been trapped as the result of an explosion in the West Kentucky Coal Company's mine at Clay.

The first reports estimate the death toll at 75. —Reuter's American Service.

Previous Catastrophe.
Rescuers equipped with gasmasks have already recovered 16 bodies. Survivors declare that the explosion was the result of a faulty shot in the workings. In the same mine in 1917 a similar catastrophe resulted in 67 deaths. —Reuter's American Service.

ITEMS FROM TO-DAY'S POLICE REPORTS.

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E. V. JESSEN,
Superintendent
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Hong Kong 4th August, 1927.



SECRET SOCIETIES.

CRIME FOR LAST YEAR IN SINGAPORE.

In his report on the Colony for the year 1926, the Acting Colonial Secretary states that the feud between the Thiu Chiu factions continued in Singapore during January. Combined work by the Protectorate and the Police resulted in the arrest of a considerable number of men. A settlement by the parties concerned ended the trouble. Since then Thiu Chiu have not caused anxiety except for a brief period during the 7th moon celebration. There was a certain amount of inter-society fighting on the Hokkien side in February and March and again in October. Internal disputes were the cause. Fighting did not attain serious dimensions.

Trouble caused by Cantonese societies was the feature of the year. As in the case of the Thiu Chiu trouble the use of arms was general and indiscriminate. From April to June an old feud between two groups was revived and there were several serious affrays in which firearms were freely used. The trouble ceased with the killing of a gunman in Sago Street in June, following a fight with a detective patrol.

Other groups increased the public alarm by a series of armed gang robberies in which murder was committed. By August nearly half of those concerned, including some of the most dangerous, had been arrested. There was no recrudescence.

TOMB OF THE CAESARS.

The mausoleum of the Emperor Augustus and burial place of several of the other Caesars, on the site of which stands Rome's principal concert hall, "the Augustum," has yielded up its plan of construction, hitherto a puzzle, to the archaeologists who were appointed by the Governor of Rome to investigate the hidden marvels of the ancient city.

The gigantic tomb, where the bodies of Augustus, Tiberius, Claudius, Germanicus, Agrippa, Marcellus and others of the Julian Caesars were buried, was built in the form of a circular cell, from which branched off galleries containing niches for the sepulchral urns, the form of the huge monument thus being that of a wheel with twelve spokes, between which were supports to carry the upper part of the monument.

The floor of the present concert hall has been excavated in one or two places and the excavations undertaken by the Governor of Rome, at Signor Mussolini's special command, revealed the ingress to the tomb of the Caesars. The marble stairway can still be seen, but nothing remains of the original doors, while the upper portion of the original mausoleum of Augustus has completely disappeared. The concert hall of to-day, where classical concerts are given once or twice a week by famous Italian conductors, is a comparatively modern structure raised on the base of the antique monument.

LONDON STONE.

ROMAN RELIC REMOVAL UNDER DISCUSSION.

London Stone, the mysterious monument which was used by the Romans as a central point in the measurement of distances along the great roads they made in Britain may be restored to its ancient use.

The Chief Inspector of Ancient Monuments at the Office of Works and also the Corporation of the City of London have been asked to consider the removal of the famous Stone from its present place in the wall of St. Swithin's Church, Cannon-street, E.C., either to the Guildhall or to Charing Cross.

An official of the Ancient Monuments Department told a "Daily Mail" reporter:—
"London Stone is now within a few feet of the place it occupied in Roman times. There seems no reason why it should be moved. It is extremely unlikely that any action will be taken."

An official of the Guildhall Museum said:—
"London Stone should remain where it is. It is not merely a Roman relic—it is prehistoric. It stood originally on the south side of Cannon street, and there is good reason to believe that the Romans found it there and respected it as having some particular significance. London Stone is probably of Druidical origin."
He added that London Stone could still very properly be used, in its present position to mark the centre of London.



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WOMAN'S 25-YEARS-OLD WILL.

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Mrs. Towry-Law, who was the daughter of the third Lord Ellenborough, left £184,723, and the will was made 25 years ago. She died last November. For several years before her death she was confined to her room as an invalid.

The six legatees who died before the will was proved are:
Dr. James Robert Lee, of London, £1,000.
Sir George Edward Dallas, £10,000.
Lord Kilmaine, £10,000.
Lady Burne, widow of Sir Owen Tudor Burne, £20,000.
George Palmer, her coachman, £500.

Elizabeth Hobbs, her maid-servant, £5,000.
In the case of Lady Burne, the £20,000 will go to her son, as the money was left in trust for Lady Burne and the sons of Sir Owen.

To her companion, Miss Bertha Latch, Mrs. Towry-Law left £12,000.

WESLEY'S BIRTHPLACE.

Widespread interest has been aroused by the proposal to purchase Epworth Vicarage—the Wesley home on the borders of Lincolnshire and Yorkshire—by the Wesleyan connection.

The scheme in its original form was confined to an appeal for funds to restore this historic home of the great preacher, but now followers throughout the world of the religion he founded are anxious to secure the house as a permanent tribute to his memory. The plan receives a fresh impetus from the fact that only a few weeks ago a no less famous vicarage at Haworth—the Yorkshire home of the Brontës—was purchased for the nation. It is felt that similar steps should be taken to ensure the future of the one at Epworth, which, like its Northern neighbour, is visited by tourists from all parts of the world.

The Rev. Walter H. Armstrong, of the Wesleyan Methodist London Mission and Extension Fund, explained to an Observer representative that of all places associated with Wesley his birthplace was perhaps, held in the greatest regard by his 40,000,000 followers.

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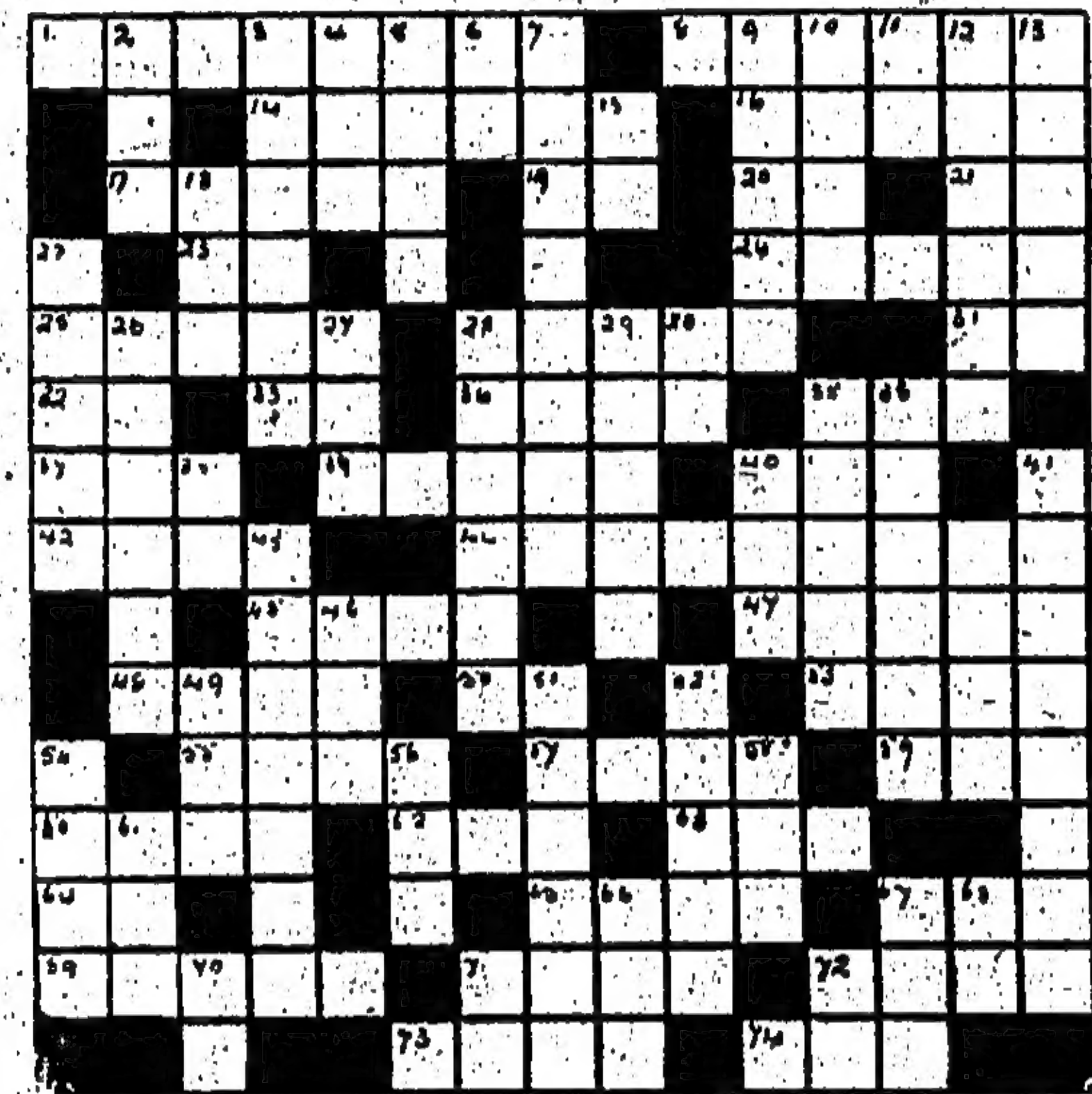
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| 1. A mass of substances worn off from solid bodies by attrition and reduced to small portions. | 2. A garden plot usually half an acre. |
| 8. Sparing. | 3. Delay. |
| 14. A genus of birds of the kite kind. | 4. An ear of corn. |
| 16. To gild or adorn. | 5. Business. |
| 17. Eager. | 6. Negative prefix. |
| 19. A relation of degree. | 7. Easily persuaded. |
| 20. B. A. (Actual). | 9. Furious. |
| 21. Sun God. | 10. Free of rent or service. |
| 23. Thus. | 11. Proceed. |
| 24. Pertaining to the third division of the lower intestine. | 12. A spirituous liquor manufactured in the East Indies. |
| 25. To ask. | 13. Physician. |
| 28. Summoned. | 15. S. T. (Actual). |
| 31. C. H. (Actual). | 16. To employ. |
| 32. Personal pronoun. | 22. The earthy or mineral particles of combustible substances remaining after combustion. |
| 34. A. L. (Actual). | 26. To let. |
| 35. A species of goat found in the Alps. | 27. To entangle in an intricate manner. |
| 36. A quadruped of the stag kind. | 28. A kind of hawk. |
| 37. Epoch. | 29. A shell. |
| 38. Draws up. | 30. E. X. (Actual). |
| 40. Before. | 35. Mistake. |
| 42. The bitter principle of Iceland moss. | 36. A genus of birds (L. ocellata) found in Australia. |
| 45. To annul. | 38. Three-toed sloth. |
| 47. A sot. | 40. Consume. |
| 48. A book. | 41. Consisting of earth. |
| 50. Compass point (abb.). | 43. A rough cart. |
| 53. To cry aloud. | 46. Born. |
| 55. To support. | 47. To row. |
| 57. To diminish by little and little. | 51. The shoulder of a bastion. |
| 59. Silly fellow. | 52. A consecration. |
| 60. To murmur. | 54. Dark. |
| 62. Period. | 56. To scatter hay. |
| 63. Utterance. | 58. Date. |
| 64. Rota. | 61. To practise customarily. |
| 65. A bear. | 66. Decay. |
| 67. An antelope having the neck, body and tail of a horse, and single recurved horns. | 67. Obtain. |
| 69. Nephew. | 68. Word of denial. |
| 71. To treat as with ink. | 70. Printers' measure. |
| 72. Drugs. | 71. Exist. (Actual). |
| 73. A plant of the genus Beta. | 72. L. E. (Actual). |
| 74. Snare. | |

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MERSEY NAVIGATION

DOCK BOARD'S IMPORTANT
CHANGES.

The Mersey Docks and Harbour Board recently outlined the plans which they have in view for the modernisation of the present system of marking and lighting the entrance to the port of Liverpool. These plans include the withdrawal of the North-West Lightship from its station, and its substitution by a boat beacon, and the placing of the Bar Lightship three-quarters of a mile eastward of its present position.

The consideration of the proposals was postponed until the next meeting, in conformity with the standing orders of the Board.

The minute of the Marine Committee read as follows:-

"The committee, having had under further consideration the proposals made for modernising the present system of marking and lighting the entrance to the port, and reports as to deputations which have been received from the Liverpool Steamship Owners' Association on the subject, together with memoranda from the Finance Committee, and the meeting of chairmen of committees on the subject having been submitted, it was resolved to recommend that the marina surveyor and water bailiff be authorised to arrange for the undermentioned changes in the marking of the entrance to the port to be carried out, and for the purchase in connection therewith of such additional equipment as may be necessary, at the total estimated cost of £6,000.

"1. The North-West Lightship to be withdrawn from its station.

"2. A boat beacon, with central lattice structure, painted red and marked "North-West" in white letters on both sides, with a focal plane of about 50 feet, and a white light giving 60 flashes per minute, together with an aerial bell to be placed on the existing North-West Lightship station, and a duplicate thereof kept in stock.

"3. The Bar Lightship to be moved three-quarters-of-a-mile eastward, and the vessel supplied with a wireless beacon, having a range of 15 miles.

"Further, that application be made to Trinity House for their statutory sanction to the proposed changes, and to the Postmaster-General for the necessary licence for the wireless beacon."

Opposition.

Mr. Charles Livingston, in moving the confirmation of the proceedings of the committee, said these changes had been under consideration for a long time. At first they had met with very great opposition from various quarters, but what with meeting the various deputations and seeing the various interests concerned he thought he might say that at least the greatest part of this opposition had been withdrawn, and that the shipowners and the various interests concerned - most of them, at any rate - now felt that this would be an improvement. They did not want to stand still in the port, and although there was an objection to withdrawing the lightship he thought that had more or less, at any rate, passed away.

Mr. J. H. Beazley seconded, and the proceedings were confirmed.

The following tenders were accepted:- Repairs to locomotive, David Rollo and Sons, Ltd.; coal for steamers in the marine department, Kaye, Son and Co., Ltd.; coal for pilot boats, Dutton, Massey and Co. (Liverpool), Ltd.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Nagasaki yesterday, at 5.30 a.m. left Nagasaki same day at 1.30 p.m., and is due at Shanghai to-day at 5 p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" left Shanghai for this port on August 8 at 7 a.m., and is due here to-day at about 6 p.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benlawers" from Leith, Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The E. & A. Co's s.s. "Tanda" left Manila for this port yesterday at a.m. with the outward Australian Mails, and is due here to-morrow at about p.m.

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Tiau via Swatow & S'hai	HINSANG	Sat., 6th Aug., at 11 a.m.
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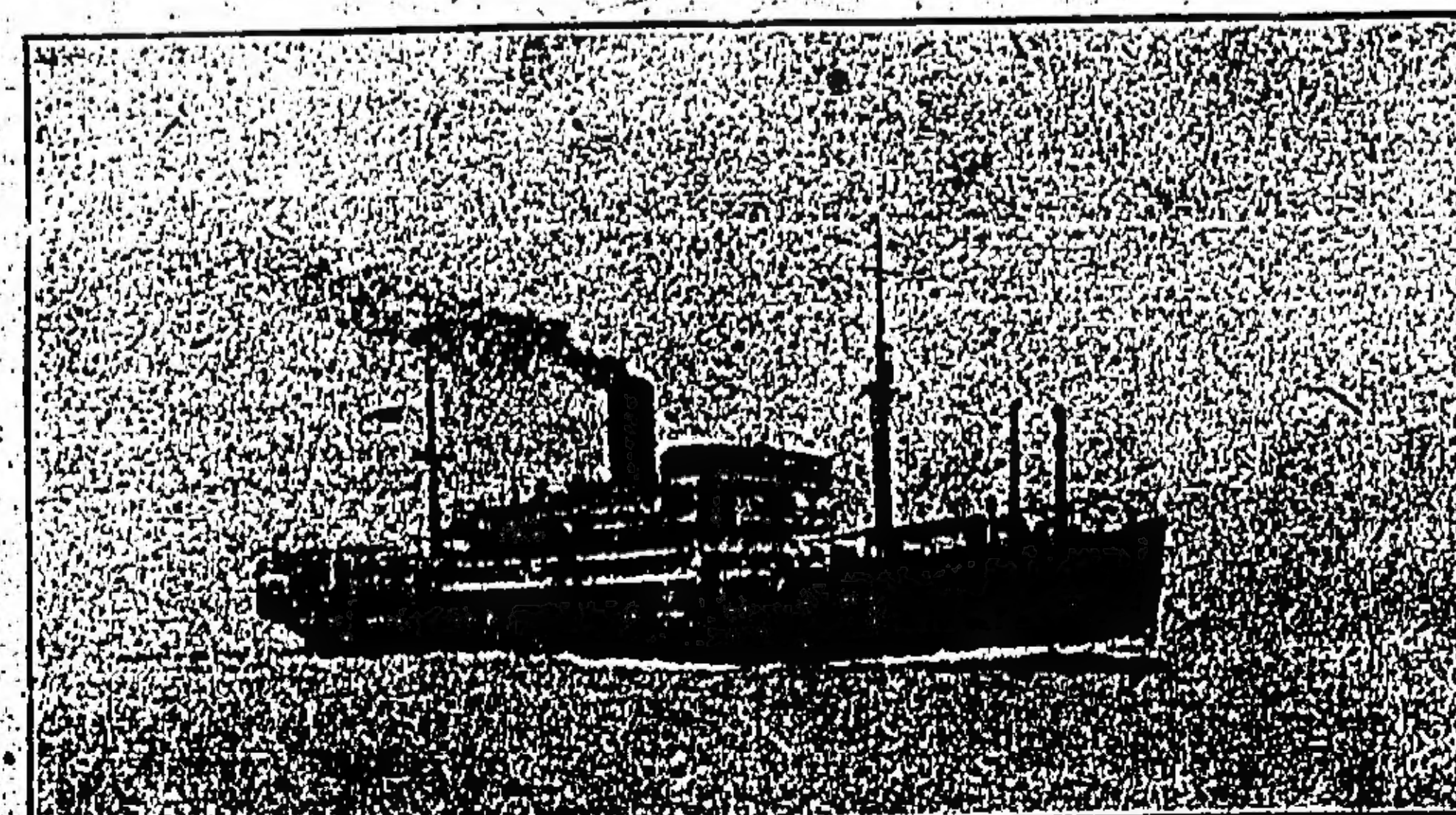
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GENEVA ENDS.

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large cruisers, and a low maximum size on smaller cruisers, we should arrive at a much lower total tonnage than is possible if other countries demanded an unlimited number of ships of 10,000 tons and eight inch guns. But we found the American delegation were unwilling to put the limit within total tonnage to the number of cruisers carrying eight inch guns. Although we stated our reason for wanting a number of small cruisers we do not understand what are their reasons for demanding so many large cruisers, or so many with such heavy offensive weapons as eight inch guns.

We have stated that the geographical position of our Mother Country and Dominions must be borne in mind. We stated so in accepting President Coolidge's invitation, and have frequently repeated that a number of small cruisers is a vital necessity, to an Empire whose widely scattered parts are divided from each other by seas and oceans and whose most populated parts are dependent for daily bread on seaborne trade and would perish if we fail to protect them. At the same time without delay we got to work to fix the tonnage of our requirements at the lowest possible figure.

Though we had 114 cruisers just before the war and many more 10 years earlier, we are only asking for a maximum of 70 now. No one can say we have not gone far in reducing our requirements. It was pointed out at the last plenary session that the obstacle to a settlement was that we could not reconcile our differences with Japan, that if some basis could be found which would be mutually acceptable to British and Japanese delegations it might be possible for the American delegation to make agreement complete. We have consequently made a great effort to put our requirements into a form which would be acceptable to the Japanese delegation.

The proposals published a few days ago embody the result of those efforts. We understand these proposals in the main would not meet with opposition from the Japanese delegation. These with other proposals we made would bring about in the near future a very sensible limitation of naval armament. This scheme, as carefully explained by Sir Austen Chamberlain in a statement in the House of Commons on July 27, is a temporary arrangement intended to last till 1936, the date of the expiration of the Washington Agreement. We have frankly stated our needs and given our reason for holding them, and explained our conception of national security. We have agreed to try and fix total tonnages provided there is a proper division of classes and a maximum fixed for each type.

These we understood to be agreed by the American delegation at the Preparatory Disarmament Conference and we had presumed it would also be encountered here. We have made repeated efforts to put our total tonnage at the lowest figure compatible with security, and our final effort is embodied in our latest proposals. But we have had to raise the maximum figures for limiting the size of destroyers and submarines to meet the wish of other parties, thereby increasing the tonnage we should have liked in these cases to diminish. We have offered to America upon a maximum building programme over a period of years so that each nation should have complete knowledge of the position of others. But that has not proved acceptable.

After the war, like the United States we scrapped a very large number of warships, amounting to 1,797,000 tons in battleships, cruisers and destroyers in the interest of limitation. In the same way now no impartial critic can say we have not made our full share of concessions as a contribution towards arriving at an agreement.

Referring to the American objection to limitation in second class cruisers to six inch guns calibre and America's wish for freedom to mount any gun up to eight inches on these ships, Mr. Bridgman believed this proposal could have no other effect than that of a considerable increase in the offensive strength of the fleets of the world. It was obvious

A "SLY" HOUSE.

DEMANDING MONEY WITH MENACES.

SEVEN CHINESE CHARGED.

Before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday, seven Chinese were charged with demanding money by menaces, and assaulting an amah employed at No. 56, Lower Lascar Row.

The amah's evidence was that the men called at 4 a.m. on Wednesday last and when she refused to admit them one of the men said "if you don't open the door you will be done to death." She became frightened and opened the door. The intruders demanded \$50 saying that the house was a "sly" one. When the amah said she was unable to pay she was assaulted. She was punched on the chest, sides and back. When she called out "Save life" two of the men ran downstairs, but were caught by a policeman.

The witness told the Magistrate that she had previously seen the first accused when he was doing whitewashing work in the house. He had then asked her for \$50. "Sergeant Fitches said that until a fortnight ago the house was in fact a 'sly' one, and the defendants had told him that they went there on that account, but the time that the accused called was not compatible with that explanation. The first accused had probably noticed that there were only two women in the house while he was working there, and decided to try and extort money by bullying them."

At this stage Mr. G. R. Hayward appeared in Court and said he had been instructed to defend all the accused.

The Magistrate then remanded the accused until Wednesday afternoon next, allowing bail in the sum of \$500 each.

TESTING TIME.

DIVISION IN THE COMMUNIST RANKS.

Berlin, July 26. The Soviet Ambassador, Rakoski, has arrived in Berlin on his way to Russia to participate in the Communist Central Committee's momentous plenary session on Saturday, which is tensely awaited throughout Russia.

It is expected that Trotsky and Zinovieff will be thrown out of the Central Committee and overt warfare against the opposition will be begun. The latter are expected to turn up in strength and are unlikely to capitulate.

Ambassadors Krestinski of Berlin and Ovsienko of Prague are also travelling to the session. According to Moscow reports, before he left Paris M. Poincaré informed Rakoski that further concessions in the present Franco-Russian negotiations are impossible, and France will break off negotiations unless Russia alters her attitude on the debt question.

COBRA IN MOTOR BUS

TWO PASSENGERS FATALLY BITTEN.

Madras, July 14. A Mysore correspondent of "The Pioneer" reports an attack on passengers in a motor bus by a cobra, resulting in two fatalities. The reptile apparently crawled into the bus at night, and lay hidden behind the petrol tins under the seat. When the bus was well on its journey the snake emerged from its hiding place and four passengers were bitten in quick succession. The cobra was killed and the victims were taken to hospital. On the way two of them died, but the lives of the other two were saved.

that without any agreement and without calling a conference America had the power and means to build as many cruisers within the limit of 10,000 tons and eight inch guns as she pleased.

Lower Standard. "We hoped in an endeavour to bring almost effective limitation she would have been willing to join with us in setting a lower standard for future cruisers construction which would have been an example to all nations," added the First Lord.

In conclusion, Mr. Bridgman said that even if there were at present no apparent prospect of reaching a complete agreement about small cruisers it would be most unfortunate if the conference separated without arriving at some international arrangement tending to economy.

A large measure of agreement had already been reached regarding 10,000 ton cruisers, flotilla leaders, destroyers and submarines. Sooner than see the conference wholly fail the British delegation was authorised to sign an agreement even if it embodied only the points whereon provisional agreement had already been reached. But if it were now found impossible to agree upon a formula acceptable to all parties, that would not indicate a spirit of antagonism between these powers. He was convinced all present adhered as steadfastly as before they met to the will for peace and detestation for aggression. — British Wireless Service.

B. MOISEWITSCH.

FAMOUS PIANIST NOW HERE.

TO-MORROW'S RECITAL.

Mr. Moiseiwitsch who is to play for us to-morrow, and Monday evening at the Theatre Royal, arrived on the a.s. "Devanha" from Singapore. From what we have already seen of him, his fame has not spoiled him. He is an ardent golfer and can tell a story in that inimitable way that is peculiarly his. From all accounts, Java fairly raved over him and in Samarang a contributor sang a paean of praise to him in poetry.

Translating here and there from a lengthy and very fine review in the "Algemeen Handelsblad" Samarang, the writer said of Moiseiwitsch's rendition of Debussy's "Cathédrale Engloutie," which, by the way, we will be hearing to-morrow night:—"Mr. Moiseiwitsch has brought to our consciousness in his rendition of 'La Cathédrale' of Debussy that ours is a massive age of massive perspectives."

he showed us the enormous possibilities in the piano of the fine gradations of tone. . . . he showed us his technical perfection. . . .

Like A Waterfall.

Of Stravinsky in his Etude, the writer says of Moiseiwitsch that, "he was marvellous in his sequence of tone . . . like a waterfall rippling in the sunshine play . . . a magnificent colourful play . . . legato . . . con brio. . . . The Far East is not the only part of the world where the response has been of such a high order as witness what the New York Evening-Sun had to say. . . . In the two familiar ballades of Chopin, the F Major and the G Minor—one the very breath of Spring, of delicious dallying, of vagrant moods, of elfin fancies; the other, full of thunder and surge, a storm of emotions, with the spring of steel, the harsh message of a strong spirit, developed daringly in a manner disturbing in its implications to every sensitive soul—in these two ballades Mr. Moiseiwitsch played with a superb blend of delicacy and strength, with a sweeping, sensuous romanticism allied with the temper and strength of steel. His left hand was used with ravishing effect."

His Programme.

Mr. Moiseiwitsch's programme for to-morrow is as follows:—Prelude in C Major Bach. Sonata Appassionata Beethoven. (Allegro Assai, Andante con moto, Allegro ma non troppo Presto). La Cathédrale Engloutie. Debussy. Etude F sharp major Stravinsky. Refrain de Bercan Paigren. La Jongleuse Moscovsky. Nocturne Scriabin. Valse G flat Major, Nocturne sharp Major, Ballade A flat Major Chopin. Tannhauser-Overture Wagner-Liszt.

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THE VOLUNTEERS.

RESIGNATIONS AND TRANSFERS.

COMMANDANT'S ORDERS.

The following orders have been issued by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O.—

M. I. Company. Parade at stables at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9. Dress: mufli. Arms.

Many members of the Corps are at present keeping their rifles and bayonets in their own possession. This practice is contrary to Regulations. Members are reminded that all rifles and bayonets when not in use must be kept at Corps Headquarters.

Those members of the Corps now in possession of rifles and bayonets must return them immediately.

The following is taken on the strength on July 29, 1927, and posted to the Mounted Infantry Company.

No. 1263 Pte. I. H. C. Hight. Reversion. No. 750 Corp. C. R. F. Johnson, No. 2 Platoon, is permitted to revert to the ranks at his own request, as from August 1, 1927.

Transfers. No. 68 Pte. N. V. A. Croucher is transferred from the Mounted Infantry Company to the Reserve Company, as from August 1, 1927. No. 391 Pte. J. L. Adams is transferred from the Armoured Car Company to the Reserve Company, as from August 1, 1927.

No. 750 Pte. C. R. F. Johnson is transferred from No. 2 Platoon to the Reserve Company, as from August 1, 1927.

Resignations. No. 457 Corp. F. W. T. Ross, Engineer Company, is permitted to resign from the Corps, as from July 27, 1927, having completed three years and nine months' service in the Corps.

No. 1065 Pte. J. F. Pym—M.I. Company. No. 914 Pte. S. H. E. Backett, A.D.C. Company, and No. 1020 Lt.-Corp. R. C. Burgess, No. 1 Platoon, are permitted to resign from the Corps, as from July 31, 1927, having left the Colony. Sports Meeting. Members of the Sports Committee are reminded that there will be a meeting at Volunteer Headquarters at 8 p.m. on Monday, August 8, 1927.

JOSEF BORISSOFF.

SECOND CONCERT AT THEATRE ROYAL.

APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE.

The second Borissoff concert at the Theatre Royal last evening was even more enjoyable than the first, starting with the strong meat of Mendelssohn's "E. Minor Concerto" and ending with Sarasate's "Carmen Fantasia," played in most masterly fashion. This stirred even the most stolid listener. No need after that triumphant ending for the challenging look with which Borissoff surveys his audience at the end of an interpretation when he knows he has chosen to deal very freely with the composer's tempo to suit his own mood! After the intellectual food of the "Concerto," melody received its meed in the simple, plaintive "Legende" by Wienlawsky. Then the lively "Rondo Capriccioso" of Saint-Saens, a splendid exhibition of exhilarating power, as was the "D-major Polonaise." There was nothing recognisably Chinese in Kreisler's "Tambourine," but it was very pleasing. One would imagine the



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Humoresque was too hackneyed to figure in such a programme, but the audience evidently enjoyed a talented rendering of something each one knew well, for it was even more heartily applauded than the preceding pieces. We hope Mr. Borissoff will pay us another visit.

Beautiful Playing.

A "music lover" writes:—Those who failed to hear Josef Borissoff, the world famous violinist, last evening at the Theatre Royal surely missed a great treat. The audience was very sparse and one wonders if there are so few music lovers in the Colony or whether pure jazz appeals to residents more than the exposition that was offered to them yesterday. The audience, however, was swept off its feet with the beauty of the Master's playing. Several encores were responded to. Great credit must be given to the accompanist, Mr. Willy Reimann, who entered fully into the spirit of Borissoff's interpretations.

A fine of \$15 was this morning imposed by Major C. Willson on a Chinese who pleaded "guilty" to a charge of cruelty to some pigs which were being removed to market. An Indian police constable said that the animals were crammed in baskets which were too small for them. The legs were sticking out of the baskets and the pigs were squealing on account of the pain they suffered.

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Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth,
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their first vessel for 14 months an
oil-tanker of 8,825 tons.By permission of Lt.-Col. R. G.
Clarke, C.M.G., D.S.O., and the offi-
cers, the band of the 1st Queen's
Regiment will play at the
evening service at St. John's Cathed-
ral on Sunday, August 21."We are now going to give
Burma the best University in the
East—a residential University,
with fine buildings and equipment,"
declared H. E. Sir Harcourt Butler,
Chancellor of Rangoon University
in his last Convocation address.
Donations to the 'Varsity Appeal
Fund, he added, totalled Rs. 40
lakhs, excluding the gift of £100,000
from the Burma Oil Company.The forthcoming possibility of
reaching India overland in two
stages, namely, by train from Vic-
toria to Aleppo and aeroplane from
Aleppo to Karachi, is foreshadowed
in connection with the extension of
the Simplon-Orient express to Asia-
tic Turkey by means of a special
service of tenders across the Bos-
phorus, whence a bi-weekly sleep-
ing car train will run to Aleppo.Strawberry growers in South-
ern Hampshire declare that the
crop will be a poor one and that
the season will be one of the short-
est on record. Two or three white
frosts, experienced when the flowers
were in bloom, robbed the growers,
it is stated, of at least half their
crops and caused thousands of
pounds damage. Now the spell of
hot weather is ripening the fruit too
quickly and with the absence of
moisture the fruit has failed to swell.The Archbishop of Canterbury
replied to critics of the Church of
England and the Revised Prayer
Book in his address to the Can-
terbury Diocesan Conference. Nobody
imagined, he said, that either by
proposing new rules or by consign-
ing to the wastepaper basket what
had been done, and leaving things
entirely alone, they would at once
arrive at complete harmony, order-
liness and peace, but he did not find
it difficult to decide which alterna-
tive presented the happier pros-
pect.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Denis Santry, of
Singapore are paying a visit to
Kuala Lumpur, and are staying at
the Station Hotel.Mrs. J. R. Wood and Mrs. Hayley
Bell have become members of the
Cathedral Church Council, states
"St. John's Cathedral Notes."Sir Percival Phillips, of "The
Daily Mail," has arrived in Shang-
hai from Tientsin after spending
several weeks in North China.Mr. Lim Kong-ong, of Ipoh, has
purchased "Silkette" from Mr. I.
Ellison and this pony will run at
the Penang race meeting under the
former's colours.Lord Derby has declined an in-
vitation of the Manchester Guar-
dians Cottage Homes Committee to
open new homes, Socialist members
having suggested that a member of
the board should have the honour.Capt. William R. Bailey, who
piloted his D. H. Moth from Lon-
don to Gloucester for the occasion,
was adopted prospective candidate
by the Central Council of the
Forest of Dean Conservative Asso-
ciation.The forthcoming wedding is an-
nounced of Mr. James Hamilton
Johnstone, engineer, Messrs Jar-
dine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., to Miss
Eleanor Dorothy Shields, residing
at No. 7, Wellesley Road, Snares-
brook, Essex.Mr. C. F. J. Quarles van Ufford,
the local manager of the Java
China Japan Line who has been
with the J.C.J.L. in the Colony for
sixteen years, is leaving on August
17 to become manager of the Com-
pany at Sourabaya. Mr. C. de
Bruyn, who was the assistant
manager in Hong Kong, will take
Mr. van Ufford's place.Having served as clerk to the
Vintners' Company for 52 years—a
record, it is believed, in the his-
tory of City companies—Mr.
Charles, Jones, of Roehampton,
has resigned. He is succeeded by
Mr. Harold B. Tuffill. Mr. Jones's
father held the same office for 48
years, father and son thus having
a total service of 100 years.Mr. Alexander Colledge,
M.I.Mech.E., who was for many
years connected with mining and
engineering in the F.M.S., is back
in Ipoh for a short stay en route
to the Far East whence he returns
to London. Mr. Colledge was a
member of the M.S.V.E. and left
Ipoh during the early part of the
war. He served on the Western
Front with the R.F.C. and R.A.F.
and since the Armistice has resided
in England.The Misses Doris and Eileen
Woods are singing at the Cheer 'O
concert to-night.A Chinese case of cerebro-
spinal fever was reported in the
New Territories yesterday.The "Zih Ying" Newspaper
Employees' Union in Shanghai is
attempting by forcible measures to
collect a monthly contribution from
employees of news agencies and
from Chinese newboys, it is stated.
The union has offices in Mei Ka
Loong, Chinese City.Mr. J. J. Corbett, representa-
tive of the great packing concern
Armour and Company, is a passen-
ger on the President Cleveland re-
turning to the United States. Mr.
Corbett comes from Manila and is
not related to James J. Corbett, the
"gentleman Jim" of boxing fame
who was once heavyweight cham-
pion of the world.Lyle Spencer, head of the
school of journalism at the Univer-
sity of Washington from 1919 to
1926, was named by the board of
regents to be president of the uni-
versity. Spencer succeeds Henry
Suzanne, who was dismissed by
Governor Hartley after a political
faud, which went so far as a cam-
paign to recall the governor, which,
however, did not succeed.Mr. H. H. Rayward, C.E., the
chairman of the board of directors
of Amalgamated Tin Mines with
properties in the F.M.S. is staying
at the Phya Thai Palace Hotel,
Bangkok. His object in visiting
Siam, says the local "Daily Mail,"
is to spend on behalf of his com-
pany up to £500,000 on the develop-
ment of tin properties in Siam.The total number of immigrants
that arrived from Southern India at
Penang, the port of disembarkation
for Perak, and the first port of call
for all immigrants for the F.M.S.,
was 174,795 in 1926 as against
90,708 in 1925, showing an in-
crease of 84,087. This constitutes
the largest number of Indian immi-
grants in a single year ever record-
ed. The previous highest record
was in 1913 when 118,583 immi-
grants arrived, of whom 91,236 were
assisted immigrants.The prism used by Sir Isaac
Newton for his experiments has
been given to the British Museum
by the Rev. H. T. Inman.£50,000 bequeathed by the late
Sir Robert Houston to his old em-
ployees was paid out in the offices
of R. P. Houston and Co., in Lon-
don, Liverpool, New York, Buenos
Aires, and Cape Town, and the
offices of the British and American
Steam Navigation Company.At the fifteenth annual general
meeting of the Hong Kong (Sela-
ngor) Rubber, Ltd., held on June 23
at 7 Martin's-lane, Cannon Street,
E.C., Mr. W. Arthur Addinsell,
chairman of the company, presid-
ing, a final dividend of 10 per cent.,
making a total dividend of 20 per
cent. for the year was declared.Very heavy squalls are report-
ed in the Gulf of Siam. Captain
Olsen, the Master of the
Anglo-Siam lighter "Dusit," says
he has never experienced such
weather as that on his run from
Kohsichang to Bangkok. His ship,
he said, resembled more a sub-
marine than a steam lighter, the
gale veering round to north-east.A capital entertainment was
given at the Royal Naval Canteen
Theatre yesterday evening by the
"Wild Swan" party of entertainers
who style themselves the "Co-
optimists." The entertainers are
connected with the Navy and Dock-
yard and their musical pot-pourri
show is to be repeated again to-
night at 9.30. An excellent even-
ing's entertainment awaits those
who attend at the Royal Naval
Canteen Theatre.Wong Yuk-ting, of 169 Des
Voeux Road Central, was success-
ful in a claim for \$400 against
Wat Chin-yu, 288 Queen's Road
West, in the Summary Court
yesterday. The claim was for the
balance of \$1,000, part payment
in respect of a business purchased
from the plaintiff by the defendant.
Evidence centred round the collec-
tion of instalments which the de-
fence claimed amounted to con-
siderably more than the plaintiffs
stated. Mr. A. J. O'Donoghue was
for plaintiffs and Mr. L. D. Turner
for the defendant.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

The gold medal of the Interna-
tional Aeronautical Federation has
been awarded Sir Alan Cobham for
his Australian flight.Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Premier,
has been elected a trustee of the
British Museum in place of the
Duke of Bedford, resigned.The Newdigate Prize for English
verse at Oxford has been awarded
to a woman for the first time in its
history. The recipient is Miss
Gertrude E. Trevelyan of Lady
Margaret Hall.Pavlova and her ballet, who are
touring Scandinavia, have sent
wreaths to England in memory of
M. Theodore Stier, the musical
director, who conducted the ballet
in all parts of the world for many
years.Mr. A. Hopper has been elected
Chairman of the local branch of the
C.E.M.S., with Mr. H. J. Fountain
as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer
and Messrs. T. W. Carr, W. Jackson,
H. Gittins and G. Zimmern, members
of the Committee.Mr. Henry F. Misselwitz, corres-
pondent of "The New York Times,"
returned to Shanghai from Han-
kow and other Yangtze River ports
last Sunday after having spent
several weeks studying the situa-
tion. On his way down, Mr.
Misselwitz stopped over in Nanking
and discussed affairs with foreign
business men who are now living
ashore.The marriage arranged between
Mr. C. F. D. Lowe, of Hankow,
China, younger son of the late Mr.
A. D. Lowe, of Shanghai and Stam-
ford, and of Mrs. James Ingram
(formerly of Singapore), and Joyce,
elder daughter of the late Mr.
Herbert E. Green, of Kobe, Japan,
and of Mrs. Charles A. Fraser, of
69 Crystal Palace, Park Road,
Sydenham, took place at Brompton
Oratory on June 25.It is an open secret that Mr. G.
Locker-Lampson might, before now,
have had a place in the Ministry
(says a Home paper), but he has
declined, performing to avoid any
thing which might put restraint
in favour of the election of the
Russian representatives. He,
or rather the stupidity of the Rus-
sians themselves, has converted the
Government to his view, and there
is now no difference of opinion be-
tween him and the Cabinet, with
most members of which he is very
popular. We may, therefore, ex-
pect to see Commander-Locker-
Lampson's name mentioned in con-
nection with the earliest vacancy,
but it will have to be something
more than an Under-Secretaryship.

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Will the Leaders Fall at The Valley?

TO-MORROW'S PROSPECTS.

East Point's Chances At Kowloon.

(By "Short Head.")

Much interest is being taken in the meeting of the First Division leaders and the Civil Service Cricket Club at Happy Valley to-morrow. A year ago the Civil Servants won this fixture by six shots, but earlier this season, at Kowloon, they went down by 20 shots. There is a quiet feeling out the Valley way that the Civil Servants will be the first to lower the Dock colours—and possibly have a special wooden cup built for them at the Dock to keep company with the one presented to them some years ago by Tai-koo! The long spell of wet weather has militated against practice, and the Dock had no fixture last Saturday, but this should not stand in the way of a sterling display of bowls. There should be little between the Clubs at the close, but ground advantage might just be sufficient to enable the Civil Servants to bag the points.

Tai-koo at Home.

The Tai-koo Recreation Club are at home to the Kowloon Cricket Club and, looking to the composition of the visiting team, the match should end in an easy victory for the ground team. However, what has been regarded as more or less scratch teams have before now sprung a surprise, so that with their greater experience the Tai-koo lot are not likely to leave anything to chance. Their green is not exactly an ideal one this season, and visiting teams are beginning to think that its loss has been a regular Waterloo, as witness the victory of the Police and the draw of the Bowling Green Club. Earlier this season the Tai-koo Club won at Kowloon by 22 shots, and that performance they ought to repeat to-morrow.

Police Visit Kowloon.

The Police Recreation Club visit Kowloon, where they will be the guests of the Bowling Green Club, who beat them last year by 18 shots and this season—at the Valley—by 19 shots. There does not, therefore, seem much hope for the Police securing the points to-morrow, although if they play as they did against Tai-koo on the latter's ground they may run the Bowling Green Club very close indeed. Form points to a win for the home team.

Chance for East Point?

The East Point Recreation Club journey to Kowloon to meet the leaders of the Second Division—the Kowloon Cricket Club. A year ago the East Point won by 27 points (the personnel of the K.C.C. being different) and this season they won on their own ground by just one shot. As the East Point fell rather badly against the Craigen-gower C.C. last Saturday it may be expected that they will be out to prove that that was merely an upset in form and nothing more. All the same, as they beat the K.C.C. by only one shot on their own ground this season, as already mentioned, one cannot have much hope of them coming away with the brace of points to-morrow. Should the K.C.C. win, as most folk expect them to, they will be in almost an unassailable position for Second Division honours.

C.C.C. v. Civil Service.

At the Valley the Craigen-gower Cricket Club are at home to the Civil Service Cricket Club, and a good tussle should be the outcome. A year ago the Craigen-gower won by six shots on

their own ground, but this season, on visiting the Civil Service green, they lost by as many as 22 shots. Naturally, after their triumph against East Point a week ago, the Craigen-gower lot are hopeful of their prospects to-morrow. A win would certainly improve their chances of escaping rivalry with the Yacht Club for the "wooden spoon." They will be up against an equally determined team in the Civil Service to-morrow—a team anxious to repeat the dose they administered to the Bowling Green a week ago.

Yacht Club v. de Recreo.

The Yacht Club will be at home to-morrow to the Club de Recreo and have two defeats to wipe on—on their own green a year ago by 16 shots and at King's Park this season by eight shots. The Club de Recreo surprised the Tai-koo Club last Saturday by running them to a draw, and they may imagine that this form ought to be good enough for the Yacht Club to-morrow. They have to remember that the Yacht Club gained their first brace of points against them last season—and that at King's Park—and the Yacht Club are quite capable of repeating that performance. That being so, I am not going to predict the result for the Club de Recreo would be certain to go and upset it!

Talkoo at Kowloon.

The Tai-koo Recreation Club travel to Kowloon where they will have to go the whole way to avoid defeat at the hands of the Bowling Green Club, by whom they were beaten at Tai-koo this season by 18 shots. If Tai-koo took their opponents of a week ago too cheaply they are not likely to make the same mistake, and as they still have championship aspirations they are likely to make every post a winning post. It may be argued, however, that if the Bowling Green Club can win at Tai-koo they can win at home, and for this reason, if no other, the ground team will be favourites to-morrow.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

Matches down for decision to-morrow are—

Division I.

Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon Dock R.C.
Tai-koo R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
Kowloon B.G.C. v. Police R.C.

Division II.

Kowloon C.C. v. East Point R.C.
Craigen-gower C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.
Royal H.K.Y.C. v. Club de Recreo.
Kowloon B.G.C. v. Tai-koo R.C.

TO-MORROW'S TEAMS.

The probable teams for to-morrow are as follows:—

First Division.

Kowloon Dock R.C.—W. Greig, H. G. Cooper, F. Cullen, and R. Lumley (skip); C. Scott Atkinson, J. V. Ramsay, J. Lindsay, and J. C. Brown (skip); J. Funcheon, G. Henderson, J. O. McLaggan, and S. Gray (skip).

Civil Service C.C.—T. Laing, R. W. Smith, J. Hollidge, and T. D. E. Pendered (skip); A. Osewick, H. H. Rose, A. O. Brown, and A. Grimmit (skip); J. Beattie, H. Westlake, sen., P. Keegan, and J. Deakin (skip).

Police R.C.—Glendinning, Collins, Condon, and West (skip); Randle, W. E. Hollands, Reid, and Moss (skip); Buchanan, Marks, and Sword, and Maie (skip).

Kowloon Bowling Green Club.—D. Hazel, D. Harvey, A. Macfarlane, and W. Russell (skip); R. Dunne, T. Ferguson, P. T. Funnell, and A. M. Holland (skip); W. Hedley, T. Magill, D. Muir, and W. Macfarlane (skip).

Second Division.

Club de Recreo.—H. Alves, E. V. M. R. Sousa, C. E. Marques, and A. Ribeiro (skip); C. F. Vaz, A. V. Barros, C. A. Lopes, and J. Ribeiro (skip); F. X. Silva, L. A. Rocha, C. Silva, and L. C. B. Souza (skip).

Craigen-gower C.C.—W. A. Nicholson, J. P. Lunney, B. F. Lus, and C. H. Sellwood (skip); F. K. Mod, S. Deacon, A. A. Razack, and C. A. Rodd (skip); D. K. Khara, A. A. Lewis, H. Beer, and F. T. Knott (skip).

K.C.C.—A. W. E. Davidson, G. Harrison, W. J. F. Gorvin, and J. P. Robinson (skip); F. Hamblin, B. Petheram, G. Wragge, and F. Herdige (skip); W. W. Hirst, E. Nash, J. Smith, and L. E. Lammer (skip).

K.C.B.C.—R. Dixon, J. D. Thomson, A. Chapman, and R. Hall (skip); A. Hale, C. Hatt, G. B. Slippert, and D. F. Warren (skip); J. Matthews, F. Statham, J. Budding, and J. Malachlan (skip).

C.S.C.C.—S. Ecclesham, C. E. Jones, F. Haynes, and J. Massey (skip); F. Holdman, T. Carr, J. Archibald, and R. Taylor (skip); H. E. Strange, L. Luck, A. B. Allan, and S. Alderman (skip).

E.P.R.C.—A. T. Hamilton, R. Williamson, G. M. Shaw, and R. McKellar (skip); G. Vickers, H. Hampton, A. K. Henderson, H. McTavish (skip); F. Samways, J. Kinnaird, Douglas, and R. H. Whiteford (skip).

T.R.C.—F. Boyle, Colla, D. Walmsey, and T. Young (skip); J. Chalmers, W. Warnock, W. Weir (skip).



Miss Betty Nuthall, the English school girl tennis player, who is only 16 years old, who defeated Mrs. Mollie Mallory, seven times American national women's tennis champion and present holder of the title in the Wimbledon singles. The score was 2-6, 6-2, 6-0. Miss Nuthall is the British junior singles champion, winning that title two years ago. The tactics of Miss Nuthall is said to have baffled Mrs. Mallory.

and H. McKechnie (skip); H. Maxwell, D. Speirs, D. Munro, and H. Dinnen (skip).

Yacht Club.—Reed, Bullock, Hammond, and G. Edwards (skip); Thornhill, Vaux, Wood, and Shields (skip); Wynne-Jones, Black, R. Sutherland, and Davies (skip).

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:—

Division I.

Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon Dock R.C.	9	6	1	2	18
Tai-koo R.C.	9	6	1	2	18
Kowloon B.G.C.	8	4	1	3	9
Police R.C.	9	4	0	5	8
Craigen-gower C.C.	10	4	0	6	8
Civil Service C.C.	8	2	0	6	4
Kowloon C.C.	9	1	0	8	2

Shots for and Against.

Club	For	Agst.	Up	Down
Kowloon Dock R.C.	568	442	116	—
Tai-koo R.C.	568	493	65	—
Kowloon B.G.C.	491	435	56	—
Civil Service C.C.	464	478	—	24
Police R.C.	522	536	—	14
Craigen-gower C.C.	537	599	—	62
Kowloon C.C.	427	584	—	157

Division II.

Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon C.C.	10	8	0	2	16
Kowloon B.G.C.	10	7	0	3	14
East Point R.C.	11	7	0	4	14
Tai-koo R.C.	9	6	1	2	18
Civil Service C.C.	11	5	0	6	10
Club de Recreo	11	3	1	7	7
Craigen-gower C.C.	11	3	0	8	6
Royal H.K.Y.C.	7	0	0	7	0

Shots for and Against.

Club	For	Agst.	Up	Down
Kowloon B.G.C.	614	526	88	—
East Point R.C.	669	538	81	—
Tai-koo R.C.	566	493	73	—
Kowloon C.C.	617	545	72	—
Civil Service C.C.	615	647	—	32
Club de Recreo	589	685	—	76
Craigen-gower C.C.	596	672	—	76
Royal H.K.Y.C.	353	483	—	130

DEFEAT FOR NOTTS.

KENT WIN BY INNINGS AND 115 RUNS.

London, Yesterday. Kent defeated Notts by an innings and 115 runs. Kent made 370 (J. Bryan 134), S. Staples taking nine wickets for 141.

Notts replied with 116, Freeman taking six for 87, and 139; Freeman securing five wickets for 84 runs. Reuter.

UMPIRING HUMOUR.

RANJITSINHJI AND OVERTHROWS.

A DELAYED APPEAL.

Mr. Eden Phillpotts, in a delightful if long-ago sketch, entitled "An Ethiopian Cricket Match," described a friendly contest between a negro eleven and a team drawn from the crew of a British steamship. One of the Englishmen received "so slow a ball that it never reached the wicket at all." Then our fourth officer rushed out and hit it after it had stopped, and so, rather ingeniously, scored two. It was a revolutionary sort of stroke, and the umpire said it must not be counted, but the batsman insisted upon having the runs put down. Of course, to argue with any umpire is madness. This black one simply waited for the next over, and gave our fourth officer out "leg-before." There was a great argument, but the umpire's ruling had to be upheld, and the batsman retired, declaring that he would never play cricket with savages again as long as he lived. He said: "In the first place the ball was a wide, and in the second, after breaking a yard and a half, it hit my elbow. Then that black ass gave me out leg-before. It's sickening. Emancipation is the biggest error of the century."

"Not Out."

It was in another quarter of the Empire, in Australia, during the tour of Dr. W. G. Grace's first team to the Colonies, that a local umpire gave an emphatic negative to an appeal for stumping by Mr. J. A. Bush, the visiting wicket-keeper, in these terms: "I was watching you, Mr. Bush, and when you took the ball the tip of your nose was in front of the wicket, and Rule 35 says that if any part of a wicket-keeper's person be over or above the wicket, the striker shall not be out if he is stumped."

That incident happened in 1874. Dr. Grace was solemnly informed that "we manage our crowds better than you do in England; we never experience any unpleasantness on our grounds." A quarter of an hour later the match at Melbourne, of which this remark was uttered, broke up in confusion owing to a disputed decision! It was, for that matter, the running-out of Mr. Murdoch which led to the riot on the Sydney ground in 1879, when Lord Harris was subjected to personal violence. And in his book, "Those 'Ashes,'" Mr. Noble notes with pleasure that the veteran Crockett umpired at Lord's last year in the game between the Australians and a Public Schools XV, adding: "It was quite like old times to see Bob Crockett umpiring. It was a happy thought and a nice compliment by the M.C.C. to ask him to officiate. Crockett has a great personality and is a fine umpire."

"A Little More East."

That great player and pretty wit, the late Mr. W. W. Read, told "of a well-known professional who found himself in a district where the umpire, in giving guard, instead of saying, 'A little more to the off,' or 'A little more to leg,' was accustomed to say, 'A little more east,' or 'A little more west.' A batsman asked for centre, and the umpire said, 'A little more east,' and not knowing the points of the compass, continued to say, 'A little more east,' but finding the batsman was getting off the wicket altogether, he added, 'Reg pardon my lord, but if you don't mind it's a good deal more west.' A since well-known wicket-keeper, who had been used to Saturday afternoon matches, was asked to play in a county match. In the second over he appealed confidently for a catch at the wicket and was met with 'Not out.' Approaching the umpire at the end of the over he said, 'Pray, Mr. Umpire, do the laws for Saturday matches differ from those for county cricket?' 'No,' replied the umpire. 'Oh, they don't? Then the young spark was out!'

During K. S. Ranjitsinhji's first season in England (1890), in a game at Cambridge, he made a hit for two. The ball was returned and hit the bowler's wicket, then fell about ten yards away. "Ranjit" called his partner for another run for the "overthrow"—only to see the ball thrown in and a stump pulled up before the batsman could get back. Being fresh from India, Ranjitsinhji had not known that the striker could be out after the ball had been disturbed.

It was in a country match, after an unsuccessful appeal for leg-before, that the batsman unwisely whispered to one of the fieldsmen, "I was out that time." It was a two-day match, and he was still in next morning. The bowler who had appealed overnight, addressing the umpire before a ball was bowled, asked, "How's that?" "Out" was the response. (This actually took place.) In another country fixture, an umpire being wanted, a man who was enlisted fumbled the task until re-assured that he had "merely to give his opinion." On an appeal of "How's that?" for a neat bit of stumping, the amateur umpire shouted, "It's simply marvellous."

The Batsman's Decision.

That very fast and erratic bowler of the Leightons, Crossland, whose delivery was suspect of the Australians and others, appealed for l.b.w. in a club match, hitting the batsman very hard. The appeal went in the latter's favour, but nevertheless, he limped towards the pavilion. "But you're not out, man," exclaimed Crossland. "Ay,

but I am, lad," replied the man in rueful accents, and went his way. Lockwood had just been no-balled for getting both feet over the crease in delivering the ball. Next time he again got both feet over, while only pretending to bowl, so that "No-ball!" was pronounced when the leather had not left his hand. The umpire rightly insisted that the no-ball should be scored as such.

Valentine Adolphus Titchmarsh, the old Herts and M.C.C. bowler and umpire, once published a little pamphlet on the responsibilities of the "man in white." Of the vexed problem of leg-before, he pointed out that "you cannot please both batsman and bowler, as the hitter will urge break or twist. Now, what can one safely say?" He added a word of advice to the umpire always to stand still. Which reminds me, again, that Mr. Bettersworth, the former Sussex amateur and authority, remarks in the current issue of a well-known Year Book that "some umpires are getting into the bad habit of posing in such a pronounced way that they make themselves the most conspicuous people on the field. An umpire can carry out all his multifarious duties perfectly well without continually calling the attention of the spectators to his presence." Is it as bad as all this?

There are, naturally, some good umpiring stories concerning the one and only "W. G." He once said, "I don't fear the bowlers, but I do fear the umpires." Getting in front of a perfectly straight one from F. R. Spofford, who was given out by Luke Greenwood, who plaintively added, "I can't help it, not if you was the Prince of Wales himself." This deserves to be read side by side with the story of old Pooley penalising him for a similar reason. "Which leg did it hit, Pooley?" quoth W. G. "Never mind which leg it hit. I've given you and you've got to go." In a Gloucestershire v. Yorkshire match at Clifton he was condemned for a similar offence by R. G. Barlow, the Hon. F. S. Jackson being the trundler. "But, Emroy, I played the ball," protests the G.O.M. "I know that, Doctor, but it was after it hit your leg."

In his delightful cricket verses Mr. George Francis Wilson includes a dainty triole which seems to demand quotation:—
I felt a flick below the wrist.
So grudgingly I turned about.
Some red bird flitting by, I wist—
I felt a flick below the wrist—
Could Sfp have caught it in his
The Umpire raised his hand. No doubt.
I felt a flick below the wrist.
So grudgingly I turned about.
"The Observer."

LOCAL TENNIS.

HONG DOUBLES START.

The Hong Doubles Tournament organised by the Hong Kong Cricket Club was started yesterday when two pairs of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation met in the first round. The contestants were M. D. Scott and R. L. Moncrieff (rec. 3/6) and E. D. Black and D. E. G. Nicholson (rec. 5/6), and the result was a win for the former pair by the odd set, the scores being 6-1, 5-7 and 6-2 in their favour.

WHEN BETTY NUTHALL WAS NINE.

Shortly after the war, the committee running the Surrey Junior Championships received an entry form signed "Betty Nuthall." It bore a Surbiton address, and stated that the would-be competitor was nine years old.

As this seemed a somewhat immature age at which to seek even junior county honours, the committee felt strongly inclined not to accept the entry, but they eventually decided to let the child play when they found that her father and mother were well-known tournament players, who obviously had some faith in their daughter's lawn-tennis abilities.

When little Betty, looking smaller than the racket she carried, duly arrived on the ground on the opening day of the tournament to play her first match—her opponent was a very tall girl, twice her height, as it happened—the committee (writes H. R. McDonald in the London "Evening News") felt that their qualms about letting her play were justified. But when Betty emerged victorious, there was nothing more to be said.

And that was how Betty began her career on the courts.

Mr. H. N. Balhatchet, of the Singapore R.C., who formerly was a member of the Hong Kong eleven which visited Malaya last year, has been chosen as twelfth man for Singapore in a match against the F.M.S.

LEPROSY CURE.

100 PER CENT. OF CHILD PATIENTS RECOVER.

Sydney.

The Rev. Walter J. Eddy, Australian secretary to the Mission to Lepers, declares that, provided the patients are constitutionally strong, modern methods of treatment have effected a 100 per cent. cure in the case of children suffering from leprosy.

He gives a graphic description of the work being performed among the unfortunate outcasts—mainly in the tropics—who are suffering from the scourge, which he describes as the oldest disease on earth.

Mr. Eddy points out that one in every ten persons in Central Africa is afflicted, leading to the belief that this area is the home of the disease.

He states that from available records the sufferers in the various countries are as follows:—India, 350,000; China, 500,000; Korea, 25,000; and Australia, ninety.

Tuberculosis.

The numbers in Africa and South America are unknown. It has been now definitely established, however, that a cure has been found for the disease, and every year large numbers are permanently cured.

He instances the striking fact that in the lands in which the scourge is most prevalent the trees from which the cure—Chalmoodgra oil—is obtained, are most prolific.

"It is difficult to distinguish between the germs of leprosy and those of tuberculosis," says Mr. Eddy.

"The two diseases belong to the one family, and yield to the same methods of treatment—that is, by the use of oils.

"The doctors have perfected a cure for leprosy, and I see no reason why scientists should not go on the same lines in their search for a cure for tuberculosis." He states that on his return to the Old Country he intends to put this view before those interested in research on the subject.

GASSED IN CHURCH.

FUMES FROM COKE OF HEATING APPARATUS.

During morning service at St. Mary's, Nelson, Bridgend, Glamorgan, more than a dozen members of the congregation and a choir boy collapsed. They were taken from the church, and after medical attention recovered. Several other people on the point of fainting were helped into the fresh air, where they soon recovered.

It appears that fumes came from underneath the vestry, where a stovehole of a heating apparatus for the church is situated.

For some little time there has been inconvenience to worshippers owing to the fumes, and the rector, before he began his sermon, referred to the fact, and said that it was attributed to bad coke.

FASCISM AND LOCK-OUTS.

The two first cases tried before a special Labour Tribunal took place recently at Vicenza, in the Veneto. Two industrialists in the cotton trade at Corneto were accused of breaking Article 18 of the new syndicalist law which forbids lock-outs, their object being to lower salaries and modify labour contracts. It is significant that the Secretary-General of the Fascist Corporations at Vicenza appeared as the plaintiff, and claimed indemnity in the name of the workers. In their defence the industrialists declared they had only called a lock-out because of the scarcity of raw material, and they accordingly obtained a verdict in their favour.

The workers are credited with some caustic remarks as to the impracticability of applying the Syndicalist legislation with regard to lock-outs, because industrialists will always happen to be without raw materials when they wish to close down their works.

MINE FATALITY.

Berlin, July 26. A thousand coal miners unsuccessfully worked all night and day to save five entombed men at Huels in the Ruhr district. It is now feared that they are dead.

REPORT FROM

BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF KWANGTUNG.

Waterfalls in English Feet			
Place of Observation	on record	on record	W.L.
West River at Shikung	41.0	0	41.0
North River at Tsingyuan	23.7	0	23.7
North River at Samahui	27.3	0	27.3
East River at Shikung	15.5	0	15.5

For the End.

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A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

After a fairly long lull in the military situation fighting has again broken out on different fronts. Plans have been completed for a number of big attacks in other directions, particularly on Peking and Tientsin by General Chiang Kai-shek. Full war movements are given in this week's "Overland Mail."

During the week activities in South China, noticeably around Canton, held public attention. Here much of political and military importance has happened, all of which is set out in the "Overland."

This week's issue also contains the first three of a new series of lectures of "Republicanism" by the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen; the latest local happenings, sporting events, and authoritative editorial and special articles. Let us send the "Overland" home for you.

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PUBLIC'S WANTS.

SOME HOME TRUTHS FOR CRITICS.

ART AND THE PEOPLE.

A theatrical manager (writes Edgar Wallace, in the London "Morning Post" of May 11) told me the other day: "I don't pretend that I wish to educate the public—I give them what they want." He is a very successful manager and of course he is the sort of fellow who should be pilloried. For how is it possible for art to be served if the public get what they want?

"I am very sorry, sir," says the bookseller. "I do not stock the works of Phillips Oppenheim, but we have a wonderful selection of the works of the late Herbert Spencer." "But Herbert Spencer doesn't amuse me, and Oppenheim does," protests the shopper. The bookseller shakes his head. "I'm sorry—I am trying to improve your taste."

To be really arty you must produce for the few, play and author must be "before their times." Your manager with a sense of history will point out the curious circumstances that fellows like Shakespeare and Aristophanes wrote for the moment, and the people who crowded the Globe, at Southwark or reclined in the fresco theatres of Greece, were not so much interested in the view posterity would take of "Hamlet" or "Ecclesiazusae" as in their present enjoyment. Mr. Poropolos, going home from the Dionysiac festival after the show said to Mrs. Poropolos: "That was a nasty dig at old Aristophanes has got Cratinus skinned to death as a writer of snappy iambs!"

Send for Tchekov.

Aristophanes especially wrote for the moment. I've no doubt that in his time there were art clubs that dug a hole in the ground and performed futuristic plays, and found a melancholy pride in the fact that nobody paid money to see them. And I dare say they met (dressed peculiarly) in wine shops, and spoke sneeringly of Aristophanes, calling him low-brow and other foul names; possibly they had Sunday night performances, and produced comedies which nobody understood and everybody said were rather wonderful.

And can't you imagine what they said about that play-acting fellow Shakespeare? What the actors, said and what the shocked dramatists said?

"An actor's an actor and a writer's a writer, old boy. He's putting this muck on the stage just because he wants to save author's fees. I saw 'Hamlet' last night, old boy! I went to sleep in the first act—murders and suicides, old boy! I can't understand the Censor passing it. Now I've got a great idea, old boy. Why not revive one of Sophocles' plays? I can get a chap in Lombard Street to put up the money—he's got a girl he wants to star."

I am one of those who believe in the public having what they want. But I believe they can find it in England. If I thought that the only plays English authors could write were long arguments about the disadvantages of marital fidelity, and effeminate young men or girls who like to give publicity to their ears, I would say: "Phone Tchekov and ask him to send us something nice and miserable about a Russian who conceives a hopeless passion for his aunt!" because I am certain that Tchekov does that sort of thing better than anybody in England.

But, in order to save the sanity of our beloved people, I should also order from America a group of musical plays with jazz by Gerahwin and specially acts by the Snopy Sisters. The Two Wows, Bunny and Estein (the well-known, Kennedy Kids), and other little bits of burbling brightness.

What They Don't Want.

I will tell you what "the public want." Entertainment. Just that. The majority of the people who buy stalls and dress circles, or who line up patiently for the pit and gallery, are not in need of education. They have spent the day being educated in their offices and

workshops. They have been educated in the art of drawing cheques, and passing dividends, and rectifying somebody else's follies, and licking stamps, and paying the rent and listening to the troubles of their married sisters; and they just want to sit down and see things put right in the most amusing way possible.

They don't really wish to see a play that goes like this: (Enter Natinka Joseph.) Natinka: Father, I am going to have a child by Ivanovitch. Father: How interesting! He has just had his leg off in a saw-mill.

If you have troubles of your own, you aren't really interested in other people's troubles. There are folks of course, who prefer gloomy plays to bright plays. But they are born philosophers who derive pleasure from the discovery that other people are worse off than they.

When I am told by an intelligent man that the trouble with the theatre to-day is that managers are sacrificing art for the sake of the box office, I am nearly amused. The trouble with the theatre, if there is any trouble, is that the public in every case are not getting what they want. Every play that fails is an advertisement of this fact.

The Critic's Job.

The public often get what the individual critic doesn't want. He may write brilliantly to demonstrate his point of view, but the only thing he proves is that he does not possess the "common mind"—that he is a stranger to the real requirements of the masses. His point of view is interesting, but is not vital. When the "Edinburgh Review" roasted Thomas Carlyle, and roasted him in the most perfect English, the magazine did not prove that the popular approval of Carlyle was misguided. It merely gave expression in a splendid view, cleverly set forth, but individual.

Criticism is successful, or unsuccessful, in ratio to the ultimate endorsement of public opinion. If I read a review of a book, and the reviewer says, in effect: "This is a brilliant novel," and if in reading it I discover the work to be very dull; and if my verdict is generally shared; then the utility of the critic is almost automatically destroyed. I don't want his personal view. I want him to tell me how I will like the book. He is important only in so far as he can represent the public mind and the public taste.

It is stupid to condemn public predilections because they do not march with yours, or to deny values because they do not appeal to you. The analytical chemist who declined to admit the existence of sugar in a mixture because he did not eat sugar would be a ludicrous figure.

SIR EDWARD ELGAR.

All musical England pays Sir Edward Elgar, O.M., heartfelt homage, on his 70th birthday, says a Home paper just to hand. No living English artist has given more to his country and the world, and no living musician has had a finer career, more honourable or devoted or spiritual.

These have been his chief gifts: the three oratorios, the orchestral variations and two symphonies, the violin and cello concertos, and "Falstaff." It is a list that leaves out a multitude of lesser works—from "Cello Song of Mine" to the piano quintet—which of themselves would have been enough to make a reputation.

Elgar, a shy Englishman, who looks like a retired Army man turned squire, has always been a composer of the sentiments undisguised.

The essential spirit of Elgar's art is a quick and chivalric tenderness. It refuses to have anything to do with ugliness or hardness. Critics have suggested that perhaps hardness might sometimes be welcome in the course of so much flowing beauty.

At 70 he still has work to do. The trilogy that began with "The Apostles" and went on to "The Kingdom" is incomplete. No large work has come from Elgar since the "cello concerto of 1920, but seeing his vigour and remembering that Verdi produced his masterpiece in his 80th year we have our hopes.

"THE NIGHT OF LOVE."

FILM SENSATION OF LONDON SEASON.

"The Night of Love," co-starring Ronald Colman and Vilma Banky, is proving one of the film sensations of the present London season, according to advices received by Arthur W. Kelly, Vice-President and General Manager of Foreign Distribution for United Artists Corporation.

On the opening day crowds stood in lines despite a pitiless rainstorm, outside the New Gallery Kinema, where the picture had its premiere, and every afternoon and evening thereafter for the first two weeks of the run the queues waited for more than an hour to gain admission. So convinced was the management of the New Gallery Kinema of the picture's powers that before the first week was half completed they extended their original booking of two weeks to an indefinite run, setting back other pictures booked for the playhouse.

The London Press was enthusiastic over this production. Some comments follow:

"The best thing that Ronald Colman and Vilma Banky have ever done. A romantic drama with many colourful scenes and plenty of thrills. A picture that will appeal to women, who are about 80 per cent. of the cinema's patronage to-day."—Daily Film Review.

"As this brings those glamorous personalities, Mr. Colman and Vilma Banky into conjunction, it will please a multitude of film-goers. There is something to please everybody."—Evening Standard.

"An exquisitely photographed love romance—lavishly produced."—Daily Mail.

"Everything done perfectly—attractive drama, life and colour."—The Star.

"One of the best romantic spectacles we have yet had on the screen—one of the most beautiful love scenes ever presented on the screen—played with infinite delicacy by Ronald Colman and Vilma Banky. 'The Night of Love' is a magnificent film version of a sensational dramatic story."—Daily Chronicle.

"A picturesque, colourful romance. There is beauty of form and conception—some fine heroics and good melodramatic moments. The story is well told."—Morning Post.

"The craftsmen of the screen are attaining greater and greater skill in the reproduction of atmosphere—in the present instance the scenery and picturesque grouping are admirable."—Daily Telegraph.

Weymouth, in whose harbour ships flying the skull and crossbones comprised no uncommon sight a few centuries ago, was the scene of another pirate visit not long ago when Douglas Fairbanks in "The Black Pirate" was introduced to the town.

A pirate craft sailed into the Bay and anchored. A crowd on the esplanade saw a pirate captain and his merry men transfer to their small boat and come ashore. Press photographers were on hand to photograph him and he was greeted by Mr. Heath of the Regent Theatre and Mrs. Heath, who drove him to the theatre, followed by a mob of interested citizens. The Dorset "Daily Echo" describes the affair as quite one of the best film publicity stunts that has ever been worked in Weymouth.

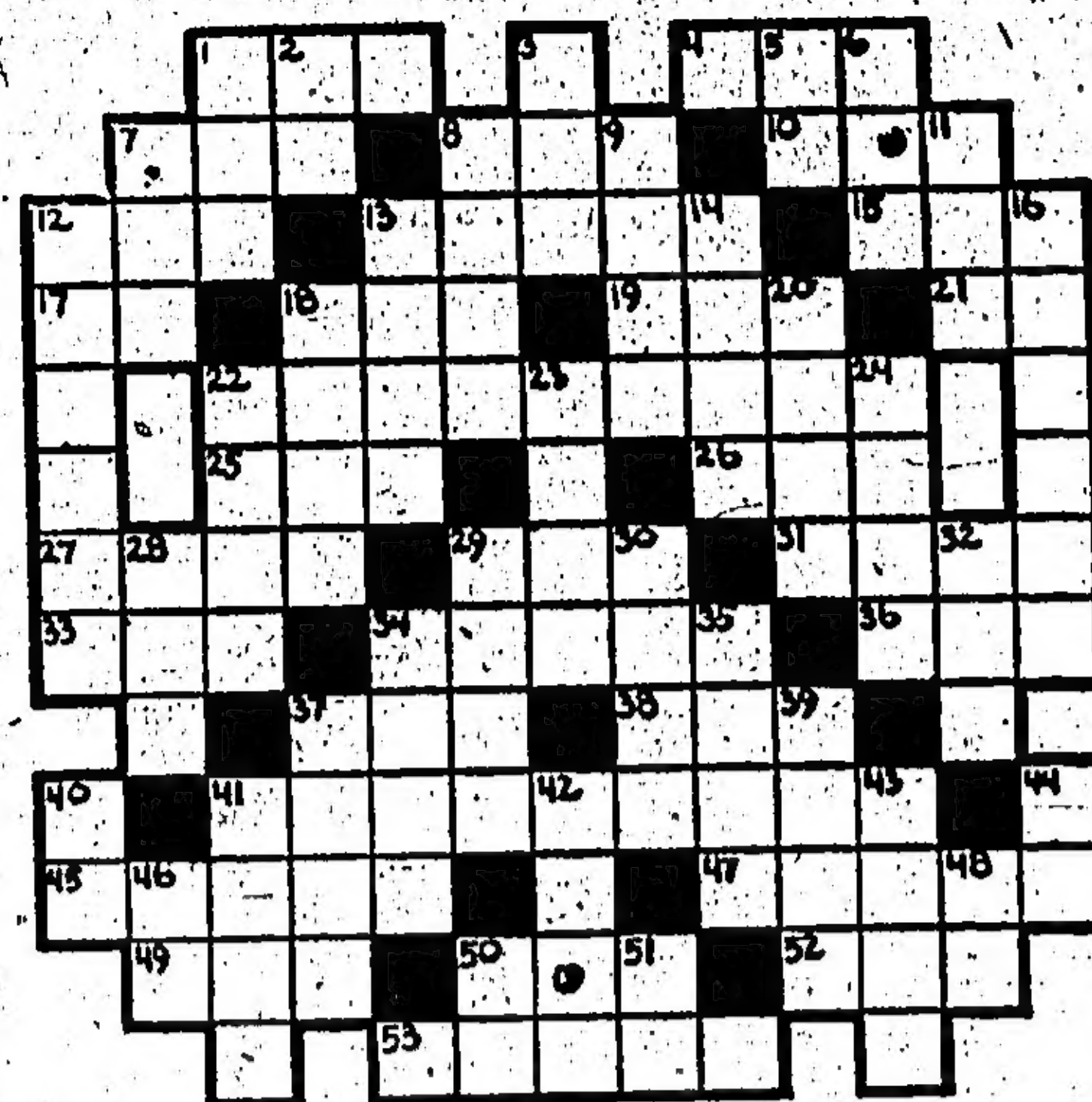
TENOR'S RACE TO OPERA.

The performance of Puccini's opera, "Turandot," at the Vienna Opera House, with Mme. Jeritza in the cast, narrowly escaped abandonment because M. Slezak was indisposed, and the only possible substitute tenor M. Paul Marion, had left Vienna for Tetschen, Czechoslovakia. The telegraph and telephone failed to catch him until he was already in Czechoslovakia.

The situation was hurriedly explained through the telephone at the station-master's office, and the singer's luggage was flung out through the window of the departing express by train and motor-car just reached the Vienna Opera House in time.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Relationship
- 4-Procured
- 7-Allow
- 8-Cleft
- 10-Of high temperature
- 12-A torn piece of cloth
- 13-A nobleman
- 15-In no manner
- 17-Prefix meaning "out"
- 18-Energy
- 19-Pouch
- 21-Conjunction
- 22-Choice
- 23-Before
- 25-Prevalence
- 27-Pronoun
- 29-To bend
- 31-Final
- 33-Affirmative answer
- 34-Having two feet
- 36-A plaything
- 37-Day of the week (abbr.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 38-At this time
- 41-Magnificence (pl.)
- 43-Head of a Bedouin tribe
- 47-Establishment for rearing cattle
- 48-Possess
- 50-Jules of plants
- 52-To shoot
- 53-White antiseptic compound

VERTICAL

- 1-A barrel
- 2-Pronoun
- 3-Distant
- 6-Exclamation
- 6-Measure of weight
- 7-Negligent
- 8-A pastime
- 9-An army settlement
- 11-Also
- 12-Real estate
- 13-Scarcion from the liver
- 14-A claw
- 16-An agreement

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 18-Extremely
- 20-Spiral winding
- 22-Looks
- 23-Harvest
- 24-Tidy
- 25-The bottom edge of a skirt
- 26-To cut with the teeth
- 30-To direct one's course
- 32-To mop up
- 34-To be stubborn
- 35-An entrance
- 37-To revolve rapidly
- 38-To unfold
- 40-Part of verb "to be"
- 41-Takes stitches in
- 43-Close by
- 44-Precipitation
- 45-Exclamation
- 46-Exclamation
- 48-Cantilever (abbr.)
- 50-In this manner
- 51-What is the Keystone State? (abbr.)

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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Pictures and drawings belonging to the prominent collector, the late Mr. W. A. Coats, of Dalkeith, Dumfries, realised at Messrs. Christie's a total of just over \$18,000.

The chief items were \$2,730 for Raeburn's portrait of James Harrower, of Inzievar; and \$2,940 for a picture for the Spanish school, entitled "The Toppers"—a peasant in white shirt holding a wine-bottle, with his companion holding a glass.

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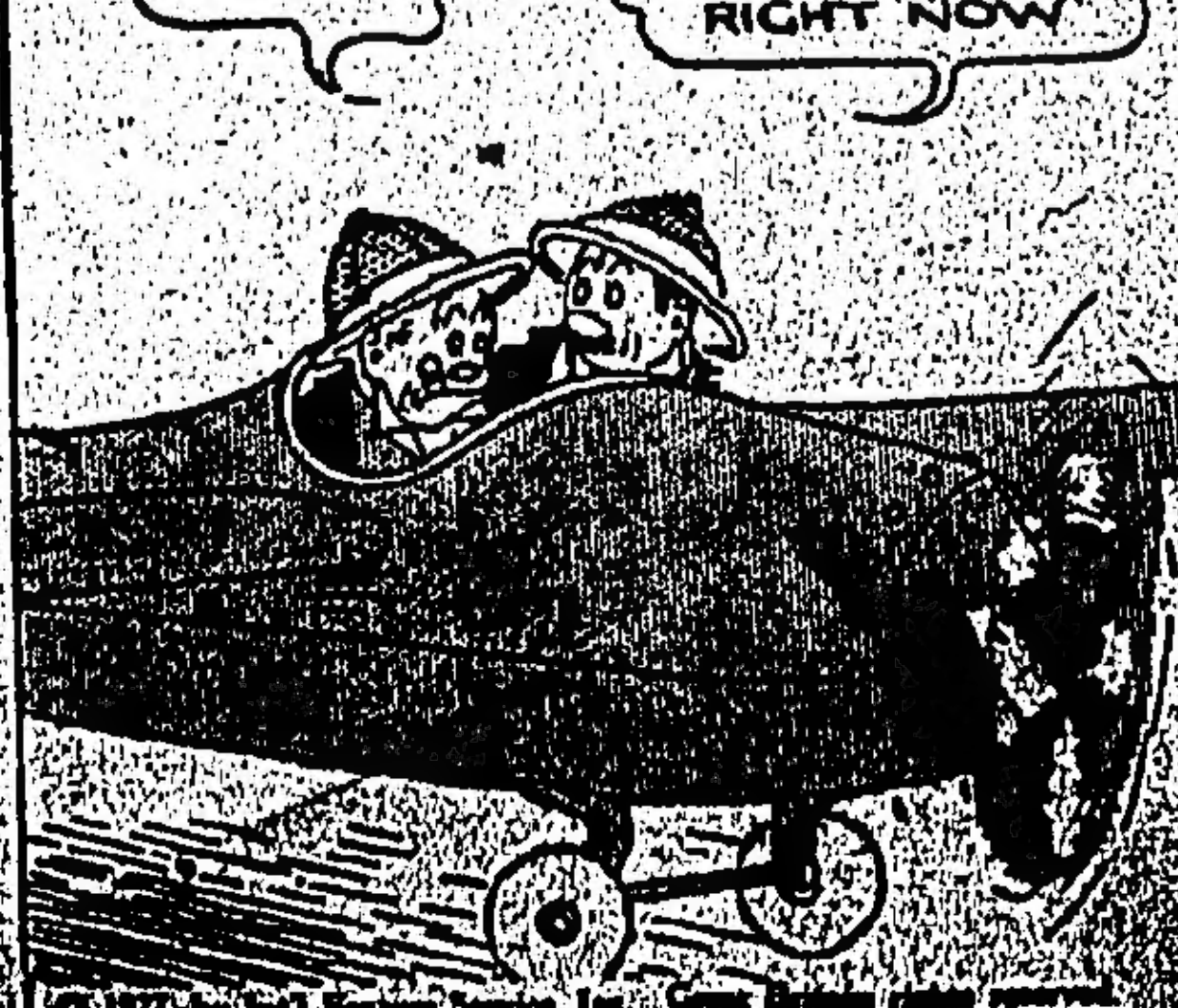
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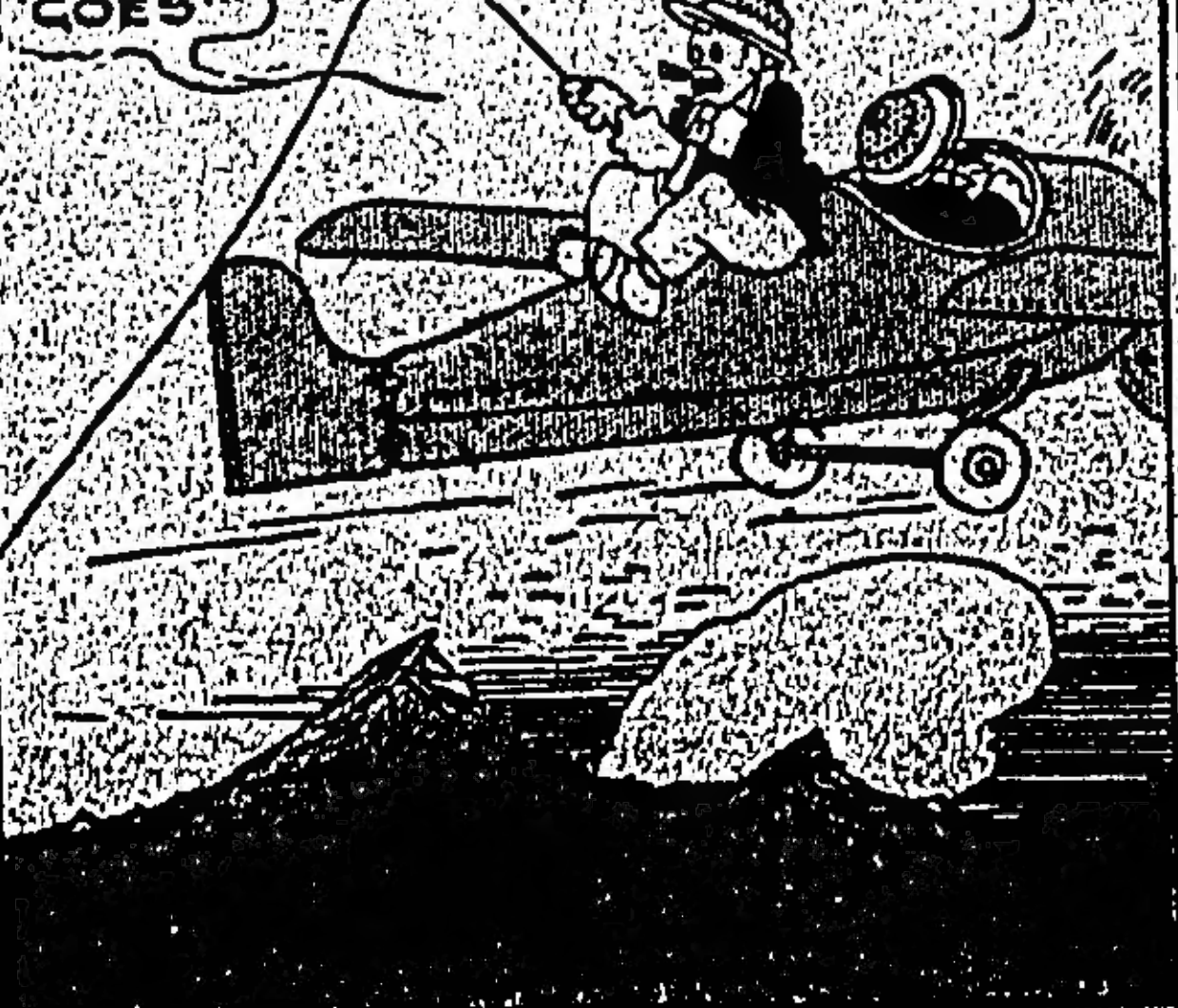
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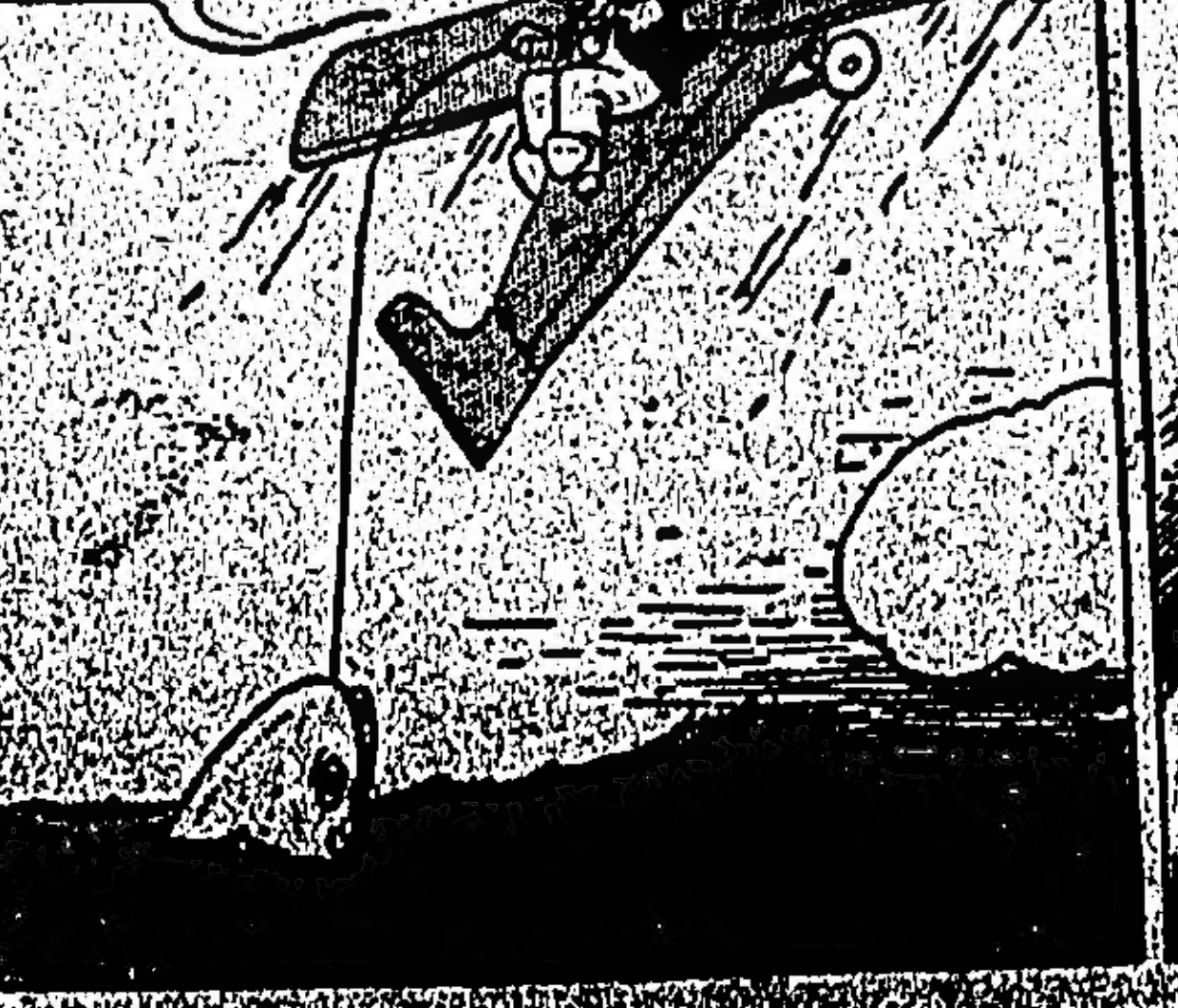
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EAT—SO
HERE
GOES!



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IT'S A SHARK
WHAT'LL
I DO?



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YOUR
FISHIN'
POLE!

SAY—JIGGS!
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WHERE YOU'RE
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Coal Output.

The coal output of Great Britain for the week ended June 18 was 5,011,900 tons, and the number of wage-earners was 1,013,400, the lowest since March 5.

Mr. George Bray, a foremost grower, stated that hop mildew, a disease not formerly known in Herefordshire, had now made its appearance there.

An application for an order under the Merchandise Marks Act for the marking of imported meat, including bacon and ham, has been referred to a committee of inquiry.

Tar Causes Cancer.

The jury at an inquest at Manchester on William Henry Worsley, a gasworks employee, aged 53, found that death was due to cancer caused by tar and the verdict was Accidental Death.

In Charlton Park, Cheltenham, the Balliol Players, undergraduates from Balliol College, Oxford, gave a performance of Euripides' play, "Iphigenia in Aulis," in English.

During one of the fierce squalls of a 70-mile gale, which raged along the West Australian coast, the three-masted schooner, "Abemama," was driven ashore near the site of the abandoned naval base, south of Fremantle.

The embargo on the importation of cattle, sheep, goats and swine into Southern Rhodesia from Great Britain has been removed, and shipments can be made provided the animals are accompanied by health certificates.

New London Sheriffs.

Polling took place at the Guildhall for the election of two sheriffs for the City of London for the ensuing year. Mr. Henry E. Davenport (1,492 votes) and Mr. F. D. Green (1,386 votes) being elected. The other two candidates were Mr. Isidors N. Jacobs, 1,271 votes, and Mr. W. G. Coxen, 397 votes. Mr. Davenport is a member of the Corporation and a former mayor of Hackney. Mr. Green is a son of the late Sir Frederick Green and is a member of Lloyd's and a shipowner.

A Long Walk.

Eleven Churchmen, one aged 80, left Hull to walk 40 miles to York to take part in the Minister anniversary celebrations.

An application by West Ham Town Council for a loan of £12,000 for electricity purposes has been refused by the Public Works Loan Board.

Sir Sardi Lal, Chief Justice of Lahore, India, accompanied Mr. Justice Hill on the Bench in the Divorce Court while 116 divorce decrees nisi were being made absolute.

The Right Rev. Arthur Lea, of Lexham Gardens, Kensington, Bishop of South Japan, summoned at Bromley, Kent, for driving a motor-car at a speed exceeding 10 miles an hour at High Street, Bromley, was fined 40s.

Bank Raider Sentenced.

At the Chester Assizes Stuart Raymond Hawkins, aged 20, a student, who was found guilty of demanding £75 from the manager of the Midland Bank, Altrincham, by menaces, was sent to Boroal for three years. Hawkins raised a pistol at the manager and demanded notes. He bolted when an assistant appeared, and squirted ammonia from a water-pistol into the face of a policeman who tried to stop him.

Sir Joseph Burn (Prudential Assurance Co.) was elected President of the Eighth International Congress of Actuaries which opened at the Grosvenor Hall, Princes Street, London, E.C., 23 countries being represented.

Sir W. Francis Taylor, the arbitrator in the South Wales coal mines dispute, has decided that the present subsistence wage of 8s. 0½d. per shift shall continue, and that 6d. per shift shall be added to the wages of grades between the ages of 16 and 20.

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A Newfoundland, April 1919, unused air stamp, issued for the first Transatlantic Air Post, a relic of Hawker's unsuccessful venture, was sold at Messrs. Harmer's, Old Bond Street, London, W. 1, for £76.

A reprieve has been granted Eliza Emily Neal, who was sentenced to death at Kent Assizes for the murder of her six-month-old child at Bromley.

Wynnstay Colliery, Ruabon, Denbighshire, one of the largest collieries in North Wales, employing 1,000 men, is to close owing to trade depression.

In a referendum 6,778 electors of Isleworth and Heston, Middlesex, voted in favour of changing the name of the district to Hounslow and 3,775 against.

Workmen demolishing an old R.I.C. barracks at Kilkee, Co. Clare, found beneath the foundation a large mine, apparently laid to blow up the barracks.

The London pleasure steamer "Crested Eagle" off Deptford Creek collided with and sank the barge Genoa, laden with coal, but was able to proceed down river.

Old Elms Sacrificed.

Residents in the Royal Borough of Kensington, London, W., are mourning the disappearance of a row of huge elm trees which stood just inside the grounds of Holland House, beside the Kensington Road. The trees, which were of great age, have been cut down as a preliminary to building a block of flats on the site, and a remarkably beautiful street view has been spoiled.

During water-main excavation work at Little Sutton, near Chester, a wall collapsed, and Thomas Treston, foreman ganger, was killed, and four workmen seriously injured.

It was stated at a Bournemouth inquest on two young men who were drowned while bathing that 17 boats are stationed at points on the beach in readiness to go to bathers in trouble.

The distinction of having celebrated two silver weddings, one with his first wife and one with his second, was held by Mr. Frederick Benjamin Wickenden, who died at Taunton aged 92.

A 19-years-old schoolboy named Irvine, of 83, Amner Road, Battersea, S.W., reported as missing eight days before, was found by the police sheltering from a thunderstorm in front of a shop at Herne Bay.

The First Cinema.

Recently the Mayor of Bath, while in America, heard a speaker claiming that the United States were the home of the cinema. He at once protested that the honour belonged to Bath. As an earnest of his contention he is erecting in New Bond Street a tablet to J. A. R. Rudge, who in the kitchen of a house there displayed, it is claimed, the first moving picture, and to Friese Greene, who in a studio a few yards away, using celluloid strips instead of glass plates, followed up the invention by showing the first moving film. The men were friends and Greene never forgot the debt he owed to Rudge.

The inquest at Exeter on James Livermore, aged 61, jobbing gardener, in connection with whose death Reginald Morey, a young Exeter gardener, is in custody, was adjourned until October 5.

The Commonwealth Government has decided to spend on bores and wells, in Central Australia, during 1927-28, a sum at least equal to that expended during the financial year ending June, about £15,500.

For assaulting a young woman whom he threatened with a gun, Athole Breadalbane Gregor Menzies, aged 27, an engineer's fitter, was sentenced to two years' hard labour at Hertford Quarter Sessions.

Conservative M.P.s interested in the coal-mining industry decided to form a parliamentary committee, with Mr. E. Wilson (Lichfield) as chairman, to consider all questions relating to the industry.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST

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Straits	Kutsang.
Foochow	Zosma.

MONDAY, AUGUST

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SUNDAY, AUGUST	7
Manila	Zosma
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Kotsu Maru

MONDAY, AUGUST	8
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Swatow	Hydrangas
Manila	President Jackson
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To Go To Chair On
August 10.

NO STATE INTERVENTION.

Refusal of Clemency May Cause
Labour Troubles.

Boston, yesterday.
The Governor of Massachusetts has declined to reconsider the verdict in the case of Sacco and Vanzetti.
The decision of the Governor was the result of prolonged eleventh-hour investigation of the case of the two Italian communists, whose death sentence for murder and robbery of two employees of the Morrill Shoe Company, South Braintree, Massachusetts, in 1920, and its confirmation by the Court of Appeals, has provoked world-wide agitation.

Political Martyrs.
Their defenders alleged that they are political martyrs, prosecuted because they are communists.

The Governor agrees with the jury that Sacco and Vanzetti had a fair trial.

Professor Lowell, president of Harvard University, Dr. Samuel Stratton, president of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and ex-Probate Judge Robert Grant, who constituted the Governor's Advisory Committee after the independent investigation, unanimously agreed with the Governor's decision.

Execution Fixed.
Sacco and Vanzetti will be executed on the 10th instant.

Rapid City, yesterday.

President Coolidge is not expected to intervene in the Sacco-Vanzetti decision.

The Sacco-Vanzetti Defence Committee describe the decision as "unbelievably brutal."

Reuter's American Service.

Sympathy Strike.

Buenos Aires, to-day.
Thousands of people waiting in the streets snapped up special editions of the newspapers publishing the Governor's decision in the Sacco-Vanzetti case. A sympathy strike with the condemned men has started. A general strike is expected at any moment if clemency is refused.—Reuter's American Service.

ONE-MAN ATTACK.

INFANTRY BATTALION
DISARMED.

Warsaw, yesterday.

It is reported that the famous anti-Soviet leader, Staman Klim, attacked the Soviet garrison in the town of Kojdanovo, near Minsk.

He disarmed an infantry battalion, seized rifles, ammunition, and regimental funds, killed ten officers and local Soviet officials. He escaped. Two regiments have been sent in pursuit.—Reuter.

LOS ANGELES' QUAKE

CITY AND SUBURBS SEVERELY
SHAKEN.

Los Angeles, yesterday.
A heavy earthquake shook the city and suburbs at 4.22 a.m. The earthquake only lasted a few seconds and a similar shock was experienced at Santa Monica, Pasadena, Hollywood, and San Bernardino. No damage is reported.—Reuter's American Service.

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SEA TRAVELLERS.

Amsterdam, yesterday.

The International Maritime Conference closed after adopting a resolution which was left to sub-committee the task of revising to draft convention on compulsory insurance of sea passengers based, if possible, upon a system of insurance likely to secure the conference's unanimous approval.—Reuter.

A PIECE OF MUTTON.

SEQUEL TO VISIT TO
SISTER-IN-LAW.

HAKKA ASSAULT CHARGE.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning a Hakka was charged with assaulting another in a match in Wongneichong village on July 20. The accused attacked the complainant with a stout stick and fractured the latter's left arm in two places.

The complainant, who had been in hospital since the assault and will have to return, appeared with his arm badly swollen and in a plaster cast. His story was that his sister-in-law lived in the same match as the accused. About noon on July 20, the complainant visited his sister-in-law and took her a piece of mutton as a present. As he was leaving the kitchen, the accused attacked him without any reason.

The accused alleged that the complainant had previously stolen some of his property. On that occasion he had driven the complainant out of the place and warned him not to return again.

Denied Stealing.

Complainant admitted that there had been some trouble between them on July 13, but denied that he had stolen anything from the accused. The accused had warned him to keep away from the match, but he did not see why he should as his sister-in-law was the principal tenant of the place. As long as he did not enter the accused's cubicle, the complainant said that he did not see how the accused could object to his presence in the match.

Addressing the accused, Mr. Lindsell said: "You broke his arm. Even if he had been stealing you have no right to use such violence."

Accused was ordered to pay complainant \$10 as compensation or go to jail for 14 days. Both parties were ordered to sign a bond in the sum of \$50 each to keep the peace for 12 months.

Mr. Lindsell also ordered the complainant to keep away from the match altogether in future.

STOLE BABY'S BANGLE.

While a Chinese maid servant with a baby in her arms was watching a dummy show in connection with the "double seven" festival in Water Street, West Point, yesterday, a sneak thief snatched a gold bangle from the baby's wrist. The maid's attention was attracted by the baby crying, and seeing a man hurrying away, she called out "Thief." A Chinese detective who was in the crowd immediately seized the thief, whereupon the latter dropped the bangle, which was recovered.

When the man was charged before Major C. Willson this morning he alleged that the charge was a trumped up one, but could not give any reason why anyone should seek to get him into trouble.

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Famous Irish Nationalist
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OPERATION IN LONDON.

Prominent Figure in Home Rule
Movement.

London, Yesterday.
Mr. John Dillon has died after an operation in a London nursing home.—Reuter.

The late Mr. John Dillon, who was formerly Nationalist M.P. for County Mayo East, was trained as a surgeon but spent most of his life in politics, being intimately connected with the movement which led to the granting of Home Rule in part to Ireland. Since 1918 when he gave up active parliamentary life, he has been chairman of the Irish Nationalist Party. He was born in 1851, was educated at the Catholic University, Dublin, and was a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland. His first parliamentary seat was County Tipperary, which he represented between 1880 and 1883.

PRES. COOLIDGE.

MORE INTERPRETATION OF
STATEMENT.

WILL HE RETIRE?

New York, Yesterday.

New York's market quickly recovered from the terrific jolt received at the opening from the avalanche of selling orders, and before the end of the first hour early losses were wiped out and by noon about a dozen issues soared to a record high level. Wall Street's views as regards the ultimate effect on the market, is by no means unanimous, the consensus of opinion being that the injection of politics into the market months earlier than was expected may have an unsettling influence.

"Choose."

Just what President Coolidge meant when he used the word "choose" in his announcement as regards the Presidency is defined by the "Boston Transcript," which states that as employed in New England, the word adds a certain positiveness to assertions of intention, and the only construction of which the phrase is capable in New England is: "I am unwilling to run for the Presidency in 1928." The paper wishes that President Coolidge had been more explicit, but says the utterance is essentially characteristic.

Means to Retire.

Rapid City, Yesterday.

While the country has been speculating as to just what is meant by President Coolidge's statement, the conviction that he really means to retire is gaining ground here.

President Coolidge, however, maintains a strict silence, the only remark he has made is that he thought it the right time to make such a statement.

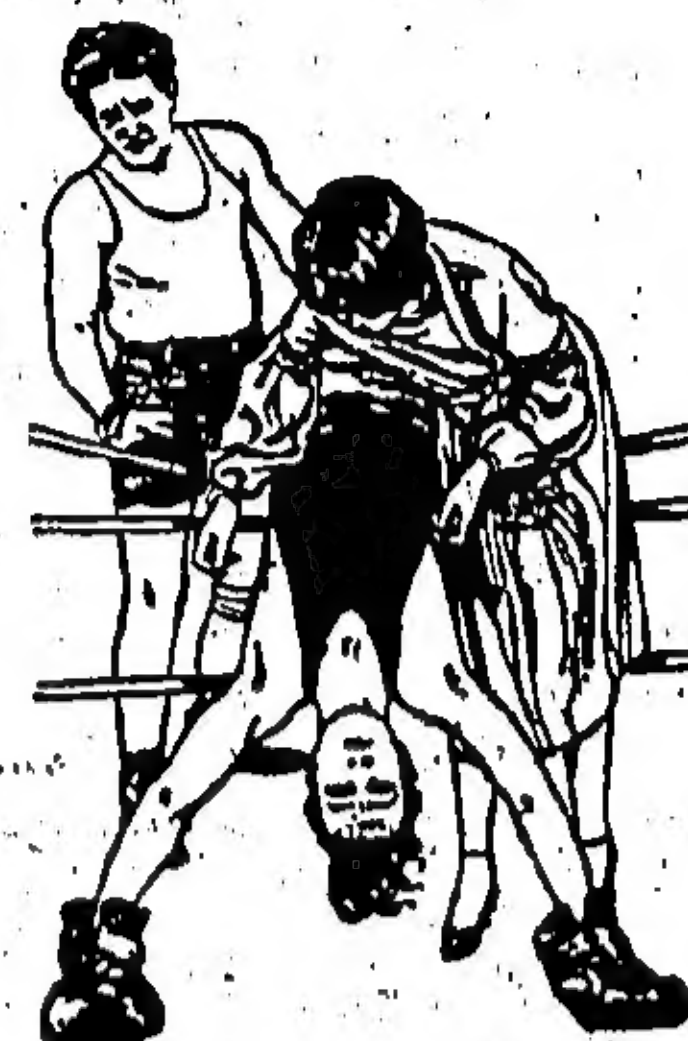
A Reuter message states that the Federal Reserve Bank has reduced its re-discount rate from 4 to 3 1/2 per cent. on all classes of paper.

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